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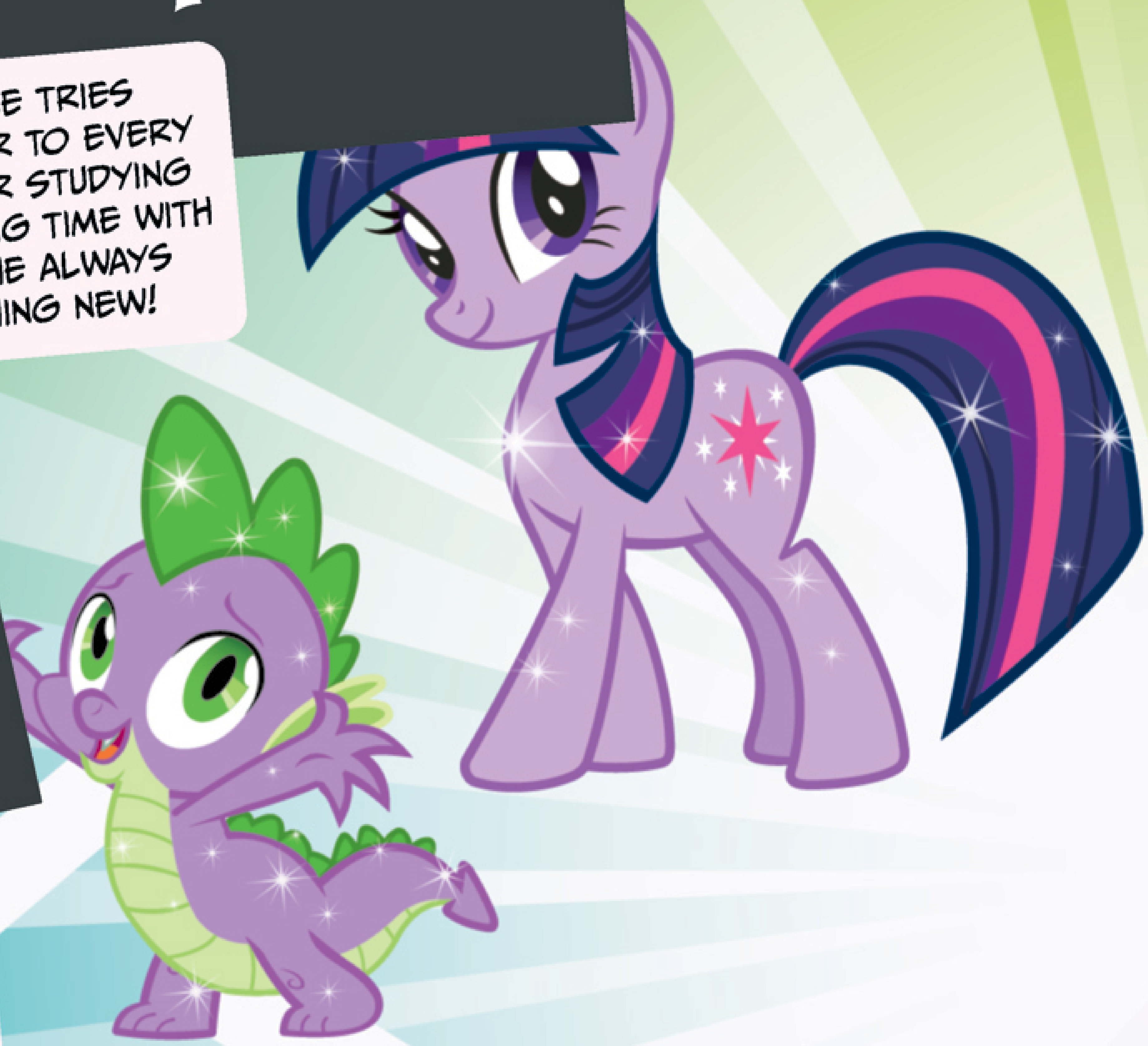
MEET THE PONIES

Twilight Sparkle

TWILIGHT SPARKLE TRIES TO FIND THE ANSWER TO EVERY QUESTION! WHETHER STUDYING A BOOK OR SPENDING TIME WITH PONY FRIENDS, SHE ALWAYS LEARNS SOMETHING NEW!

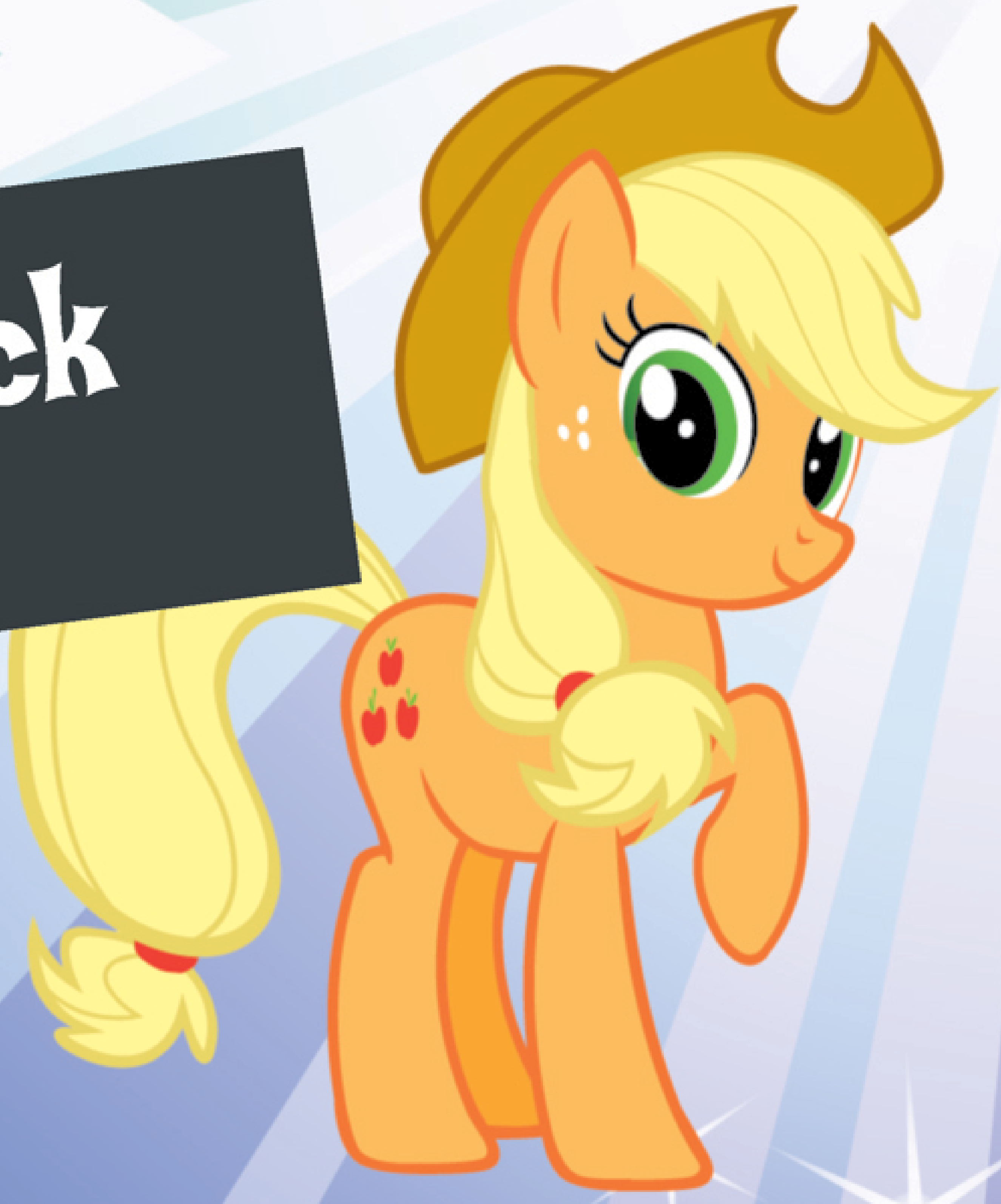


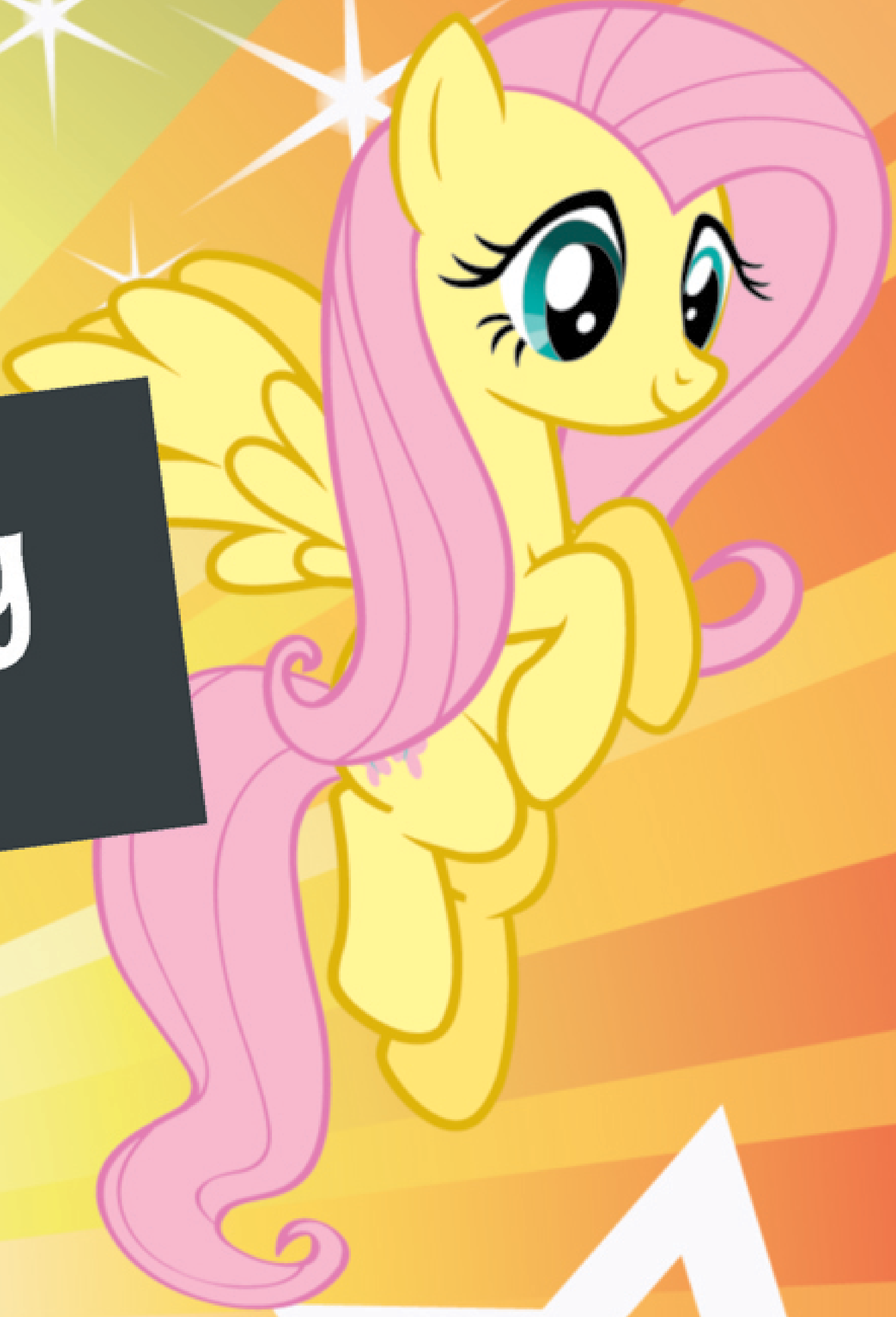
Spike

SPIKE IS TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S BEST FRIEND AND NUMBER ONE ASSISTANT. HIS FIRE BREATH CAN DELIVER SCROLLS DIRECTLY TO PRINCESS CELESTIA!

Applejack

APPLEJACK IS HONEST, FRIENDLY, AND SWEET TO THE CORE! SHE LOVES TO BE OUTSIDE, AND HER PONY FRIENDS KNOW THEY CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON HER.



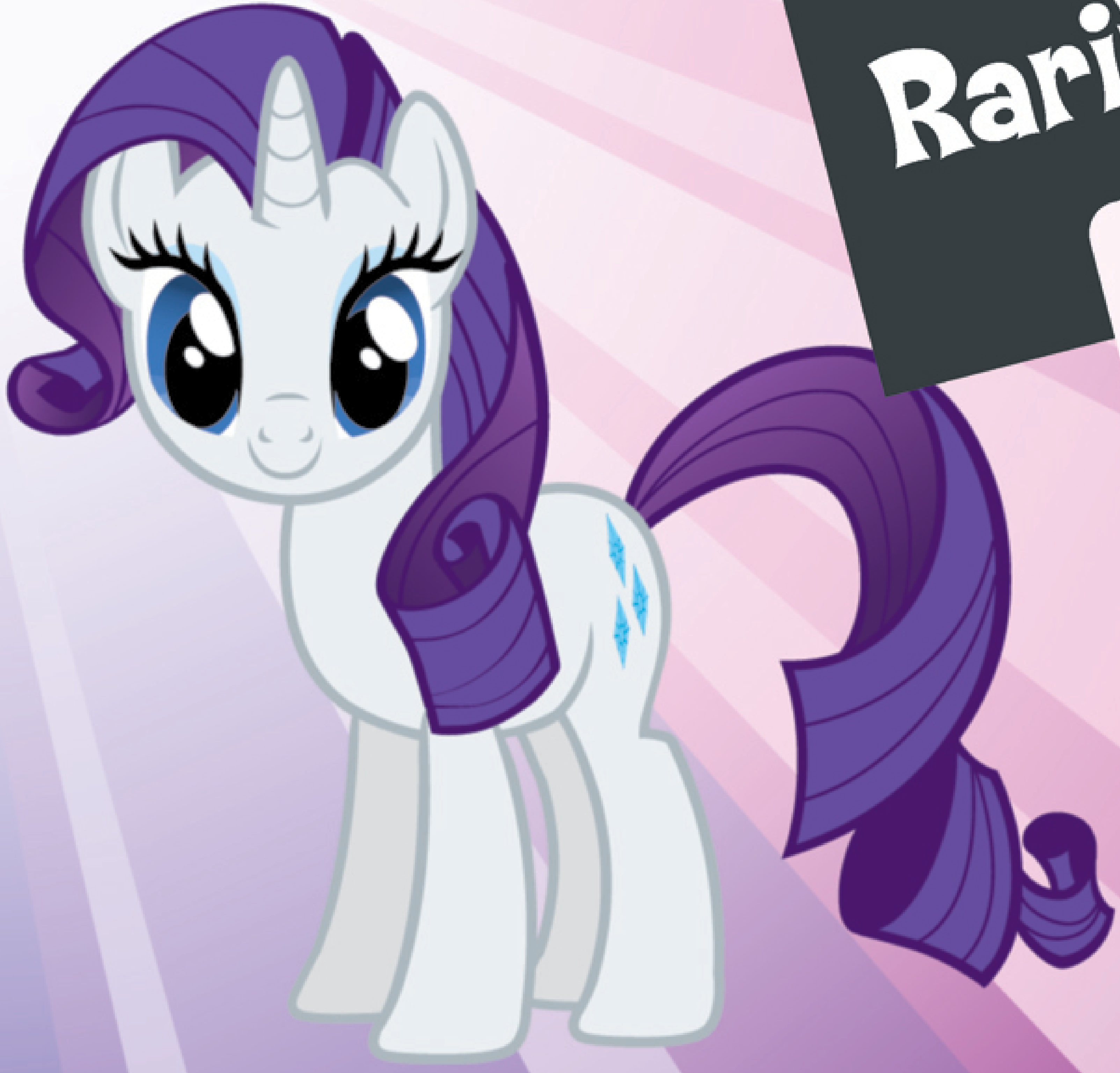


Fluttershy

FLUTTERSHY IS A KIND AND GENTLE PONY WITH A BIG HEART. SHE LIKES TO TAKE CARE OF THE OTHERS, ESPECIALLY HER LITTLE ANIMAL FRIENDS.

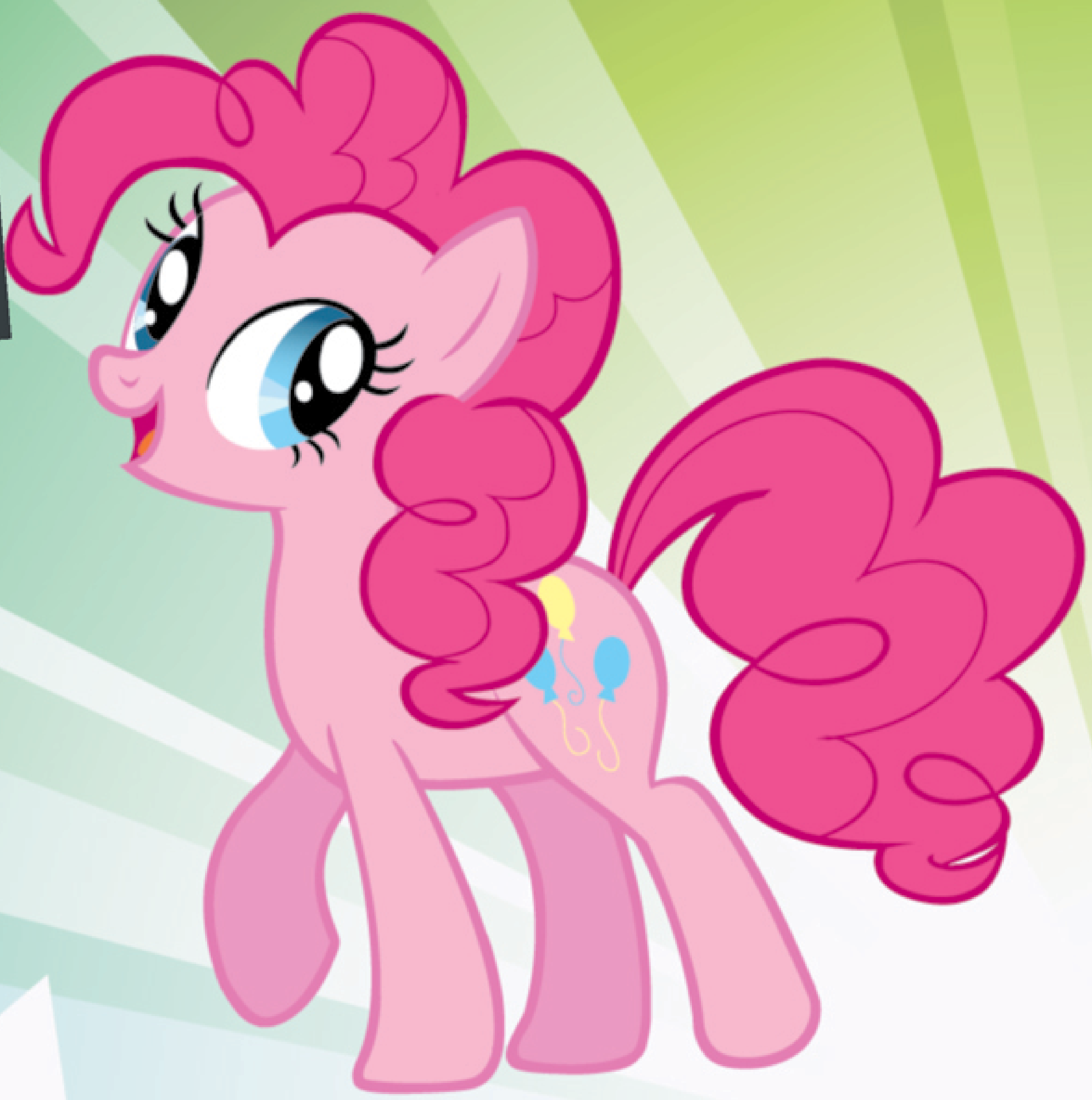
Rarity

RARITY KNOWS HOW TO ADD SPARKLE TO ANY OUTFIT! SHE LOVES TO GIVE HER PONY FRIENDS ADVICE ON THE LATEST PONY FASHIONS AND HAIRSTYLES.



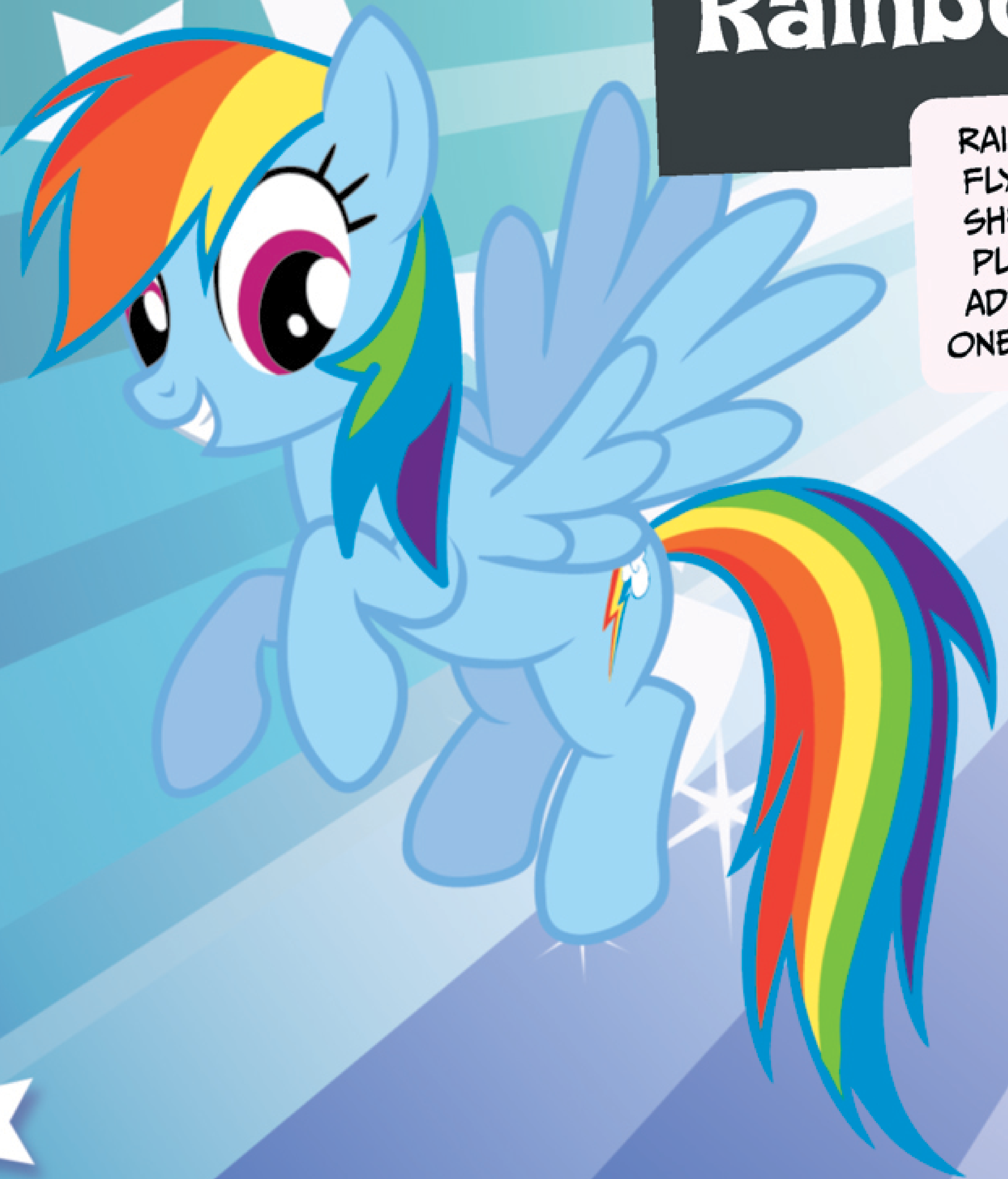
Pinkie Pie

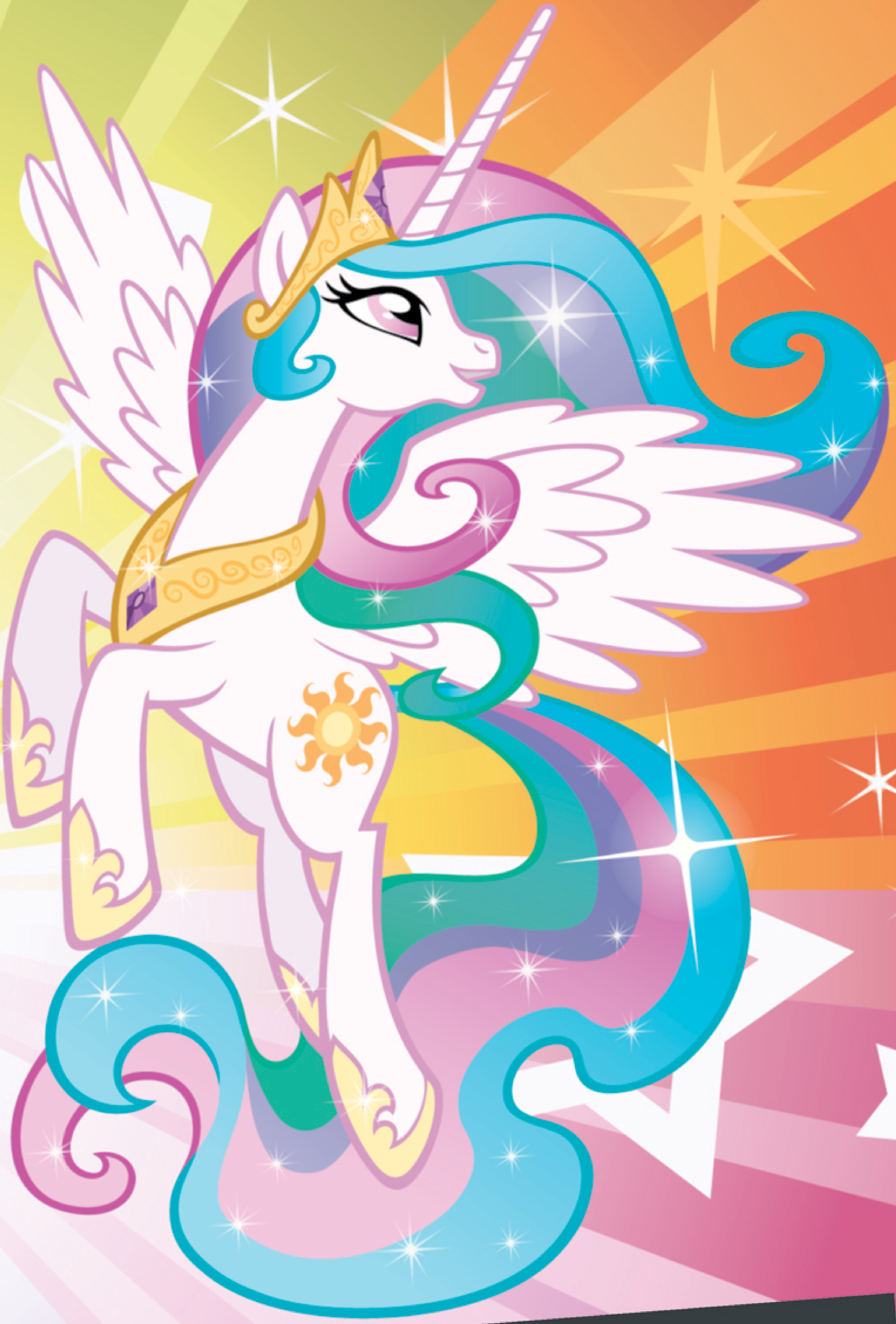
PINKIE PIE KEEPS HER PONY FRIENDS LAUGHING AND SMILING ALL DAY! CHEERFUL AND PLAYFUL, SHE ALWAYS LOOKS ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.



Rainbow Dash

RAINBOW DASH LOVES TO FLY AS FAST AS SHE CAN! SHE IS ALWAYS READY TO PLAY A GAME, GO ON AN ADVENTURE, OR HELP OUT ONE OF HER PONY FRIENDS.

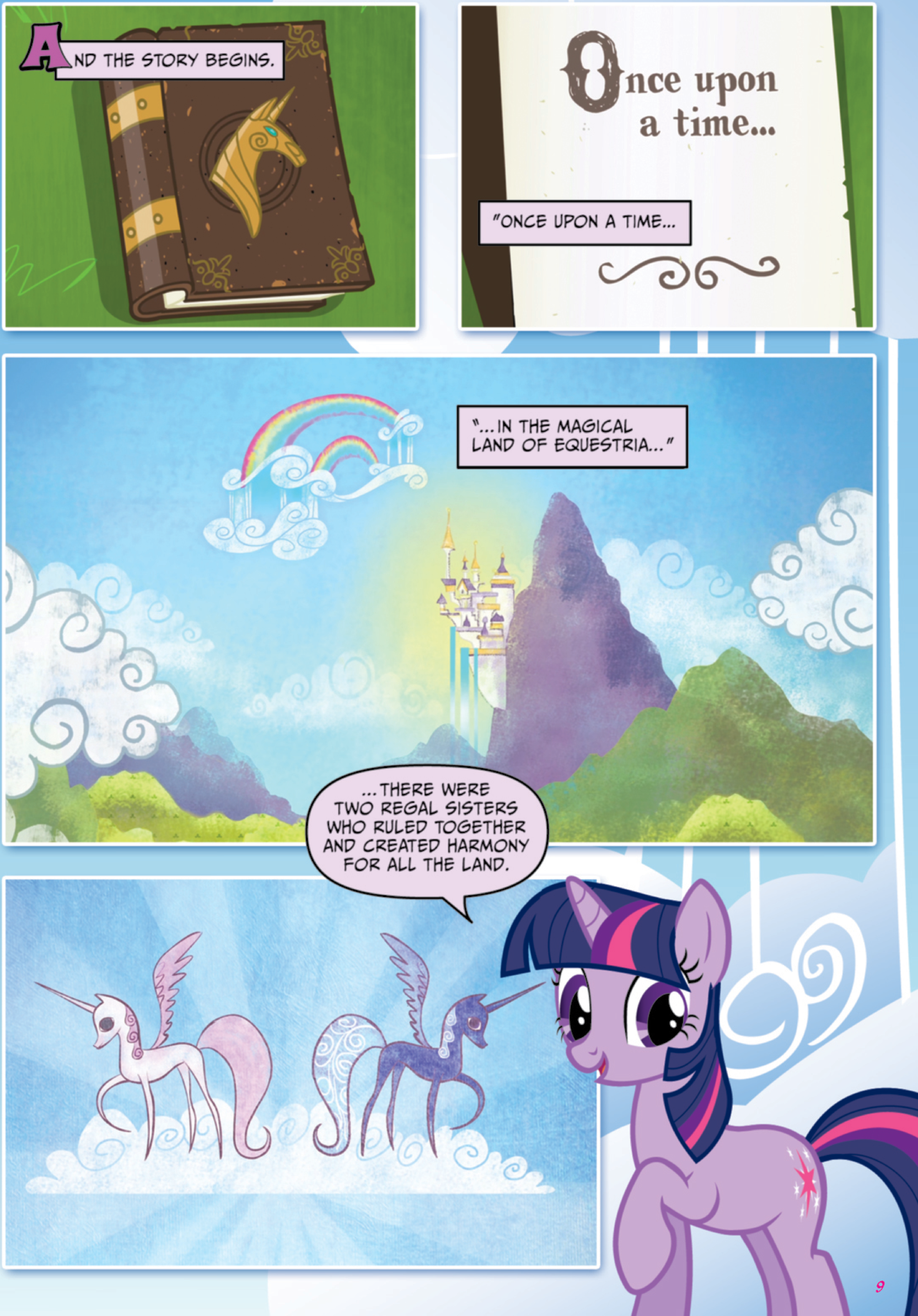


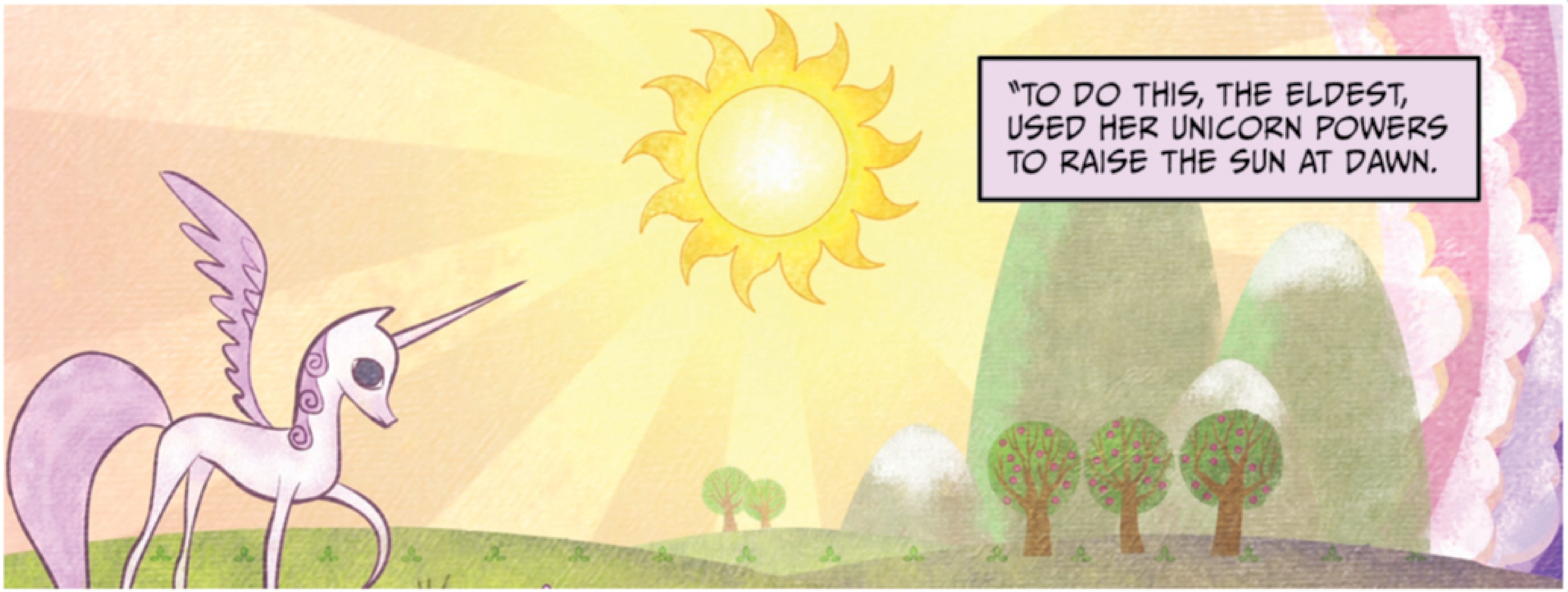


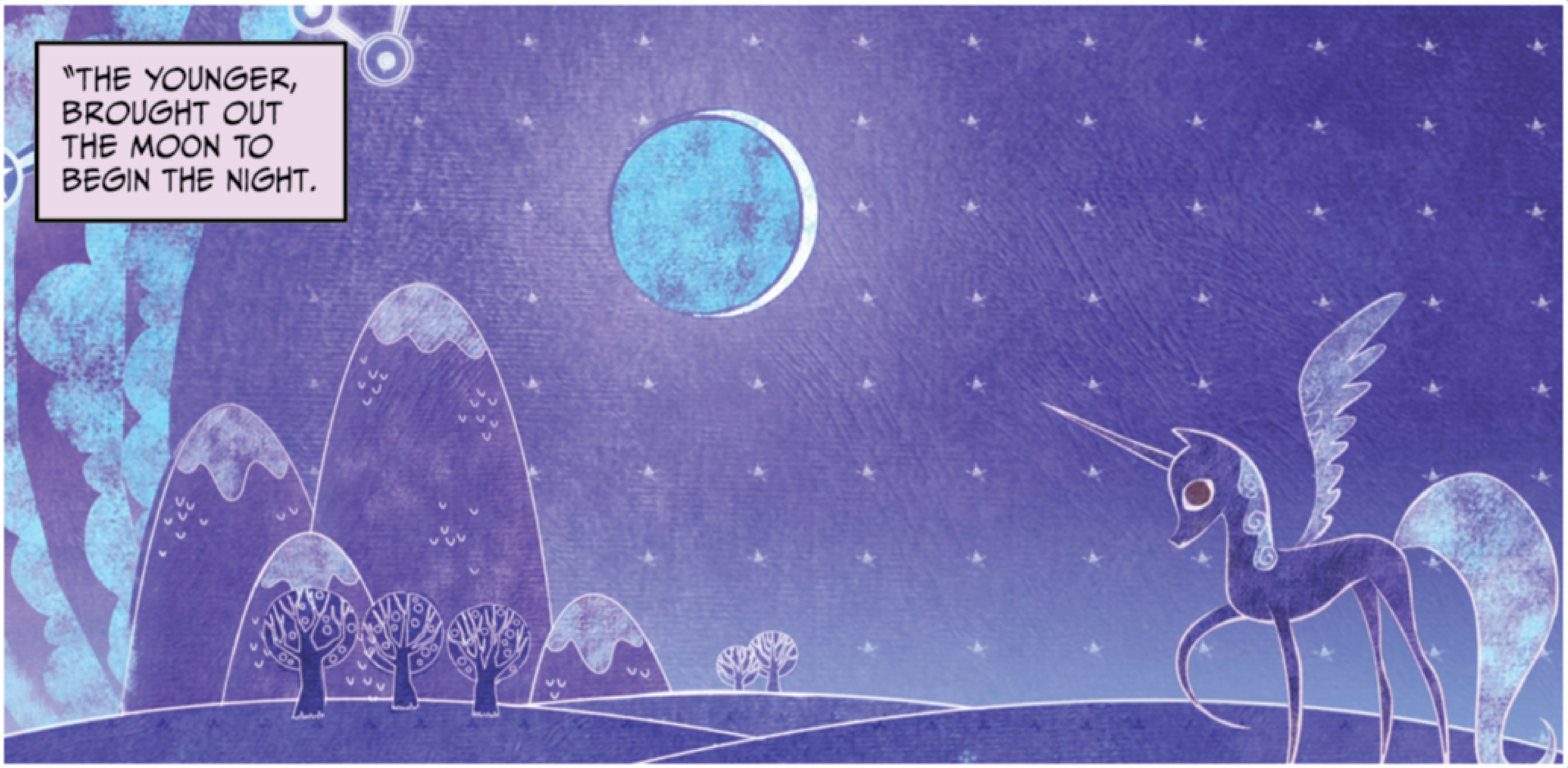
Princess Celestia

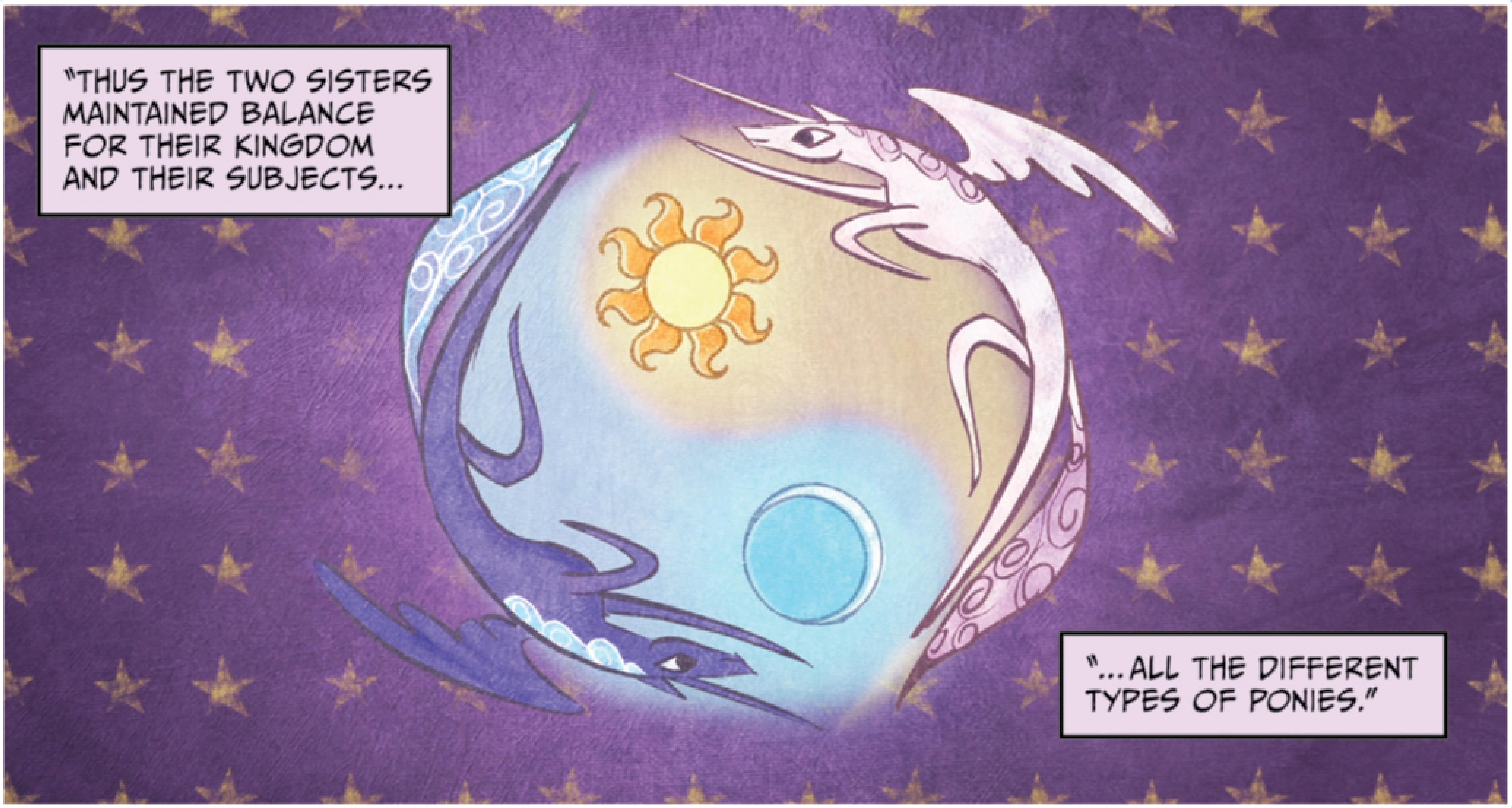
PRINCESS CELESTIA IS A MAGICAL AND BEAUTIFUL PONY WHO RULES THE LAND OF ESQUESTRIA. ALL OF THE PONIES IN PONYVILLE LOOK UP TO HER!

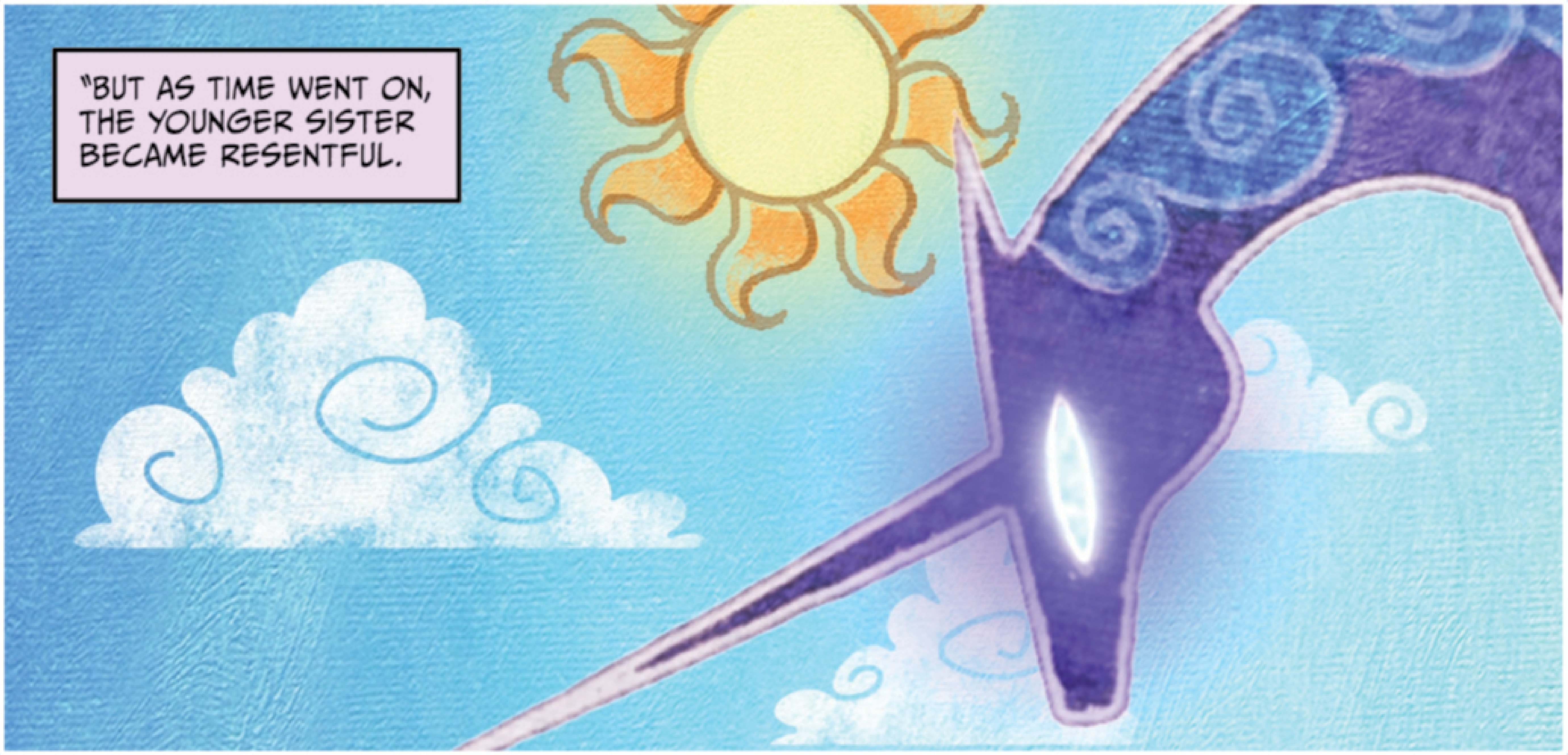
FRIENDSHIP is MAGIC™

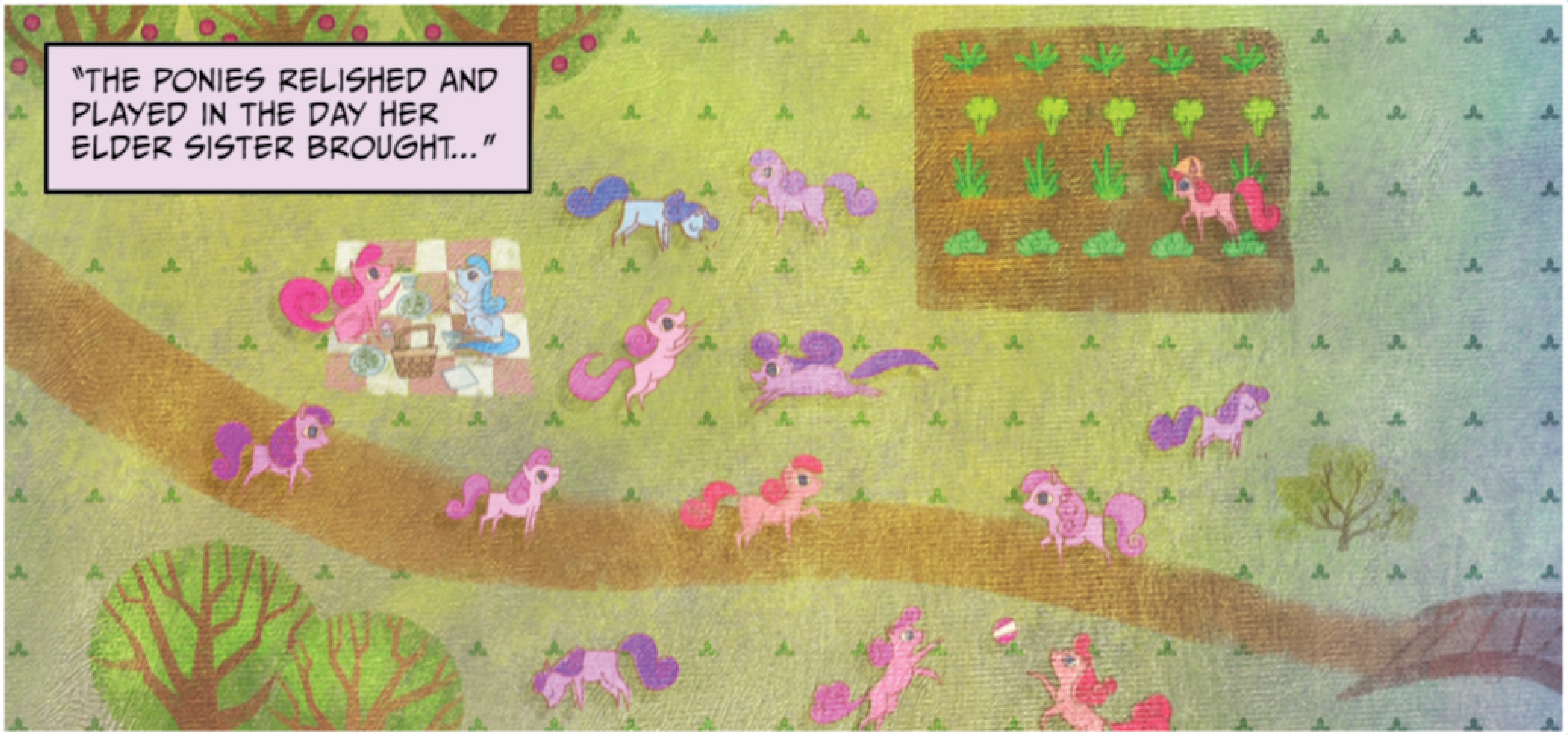

AND THE STORY BEGINS.
Once upon a time...
"ONCE UPON A TIME...
"...IN THE MAGICAL LAND OF EQUESTRIA..."
...THERE WERE TWO REGAL SISTERS WHO RULED TOGETHER AND CREATED HARMONY FOR ALL THE LAND.

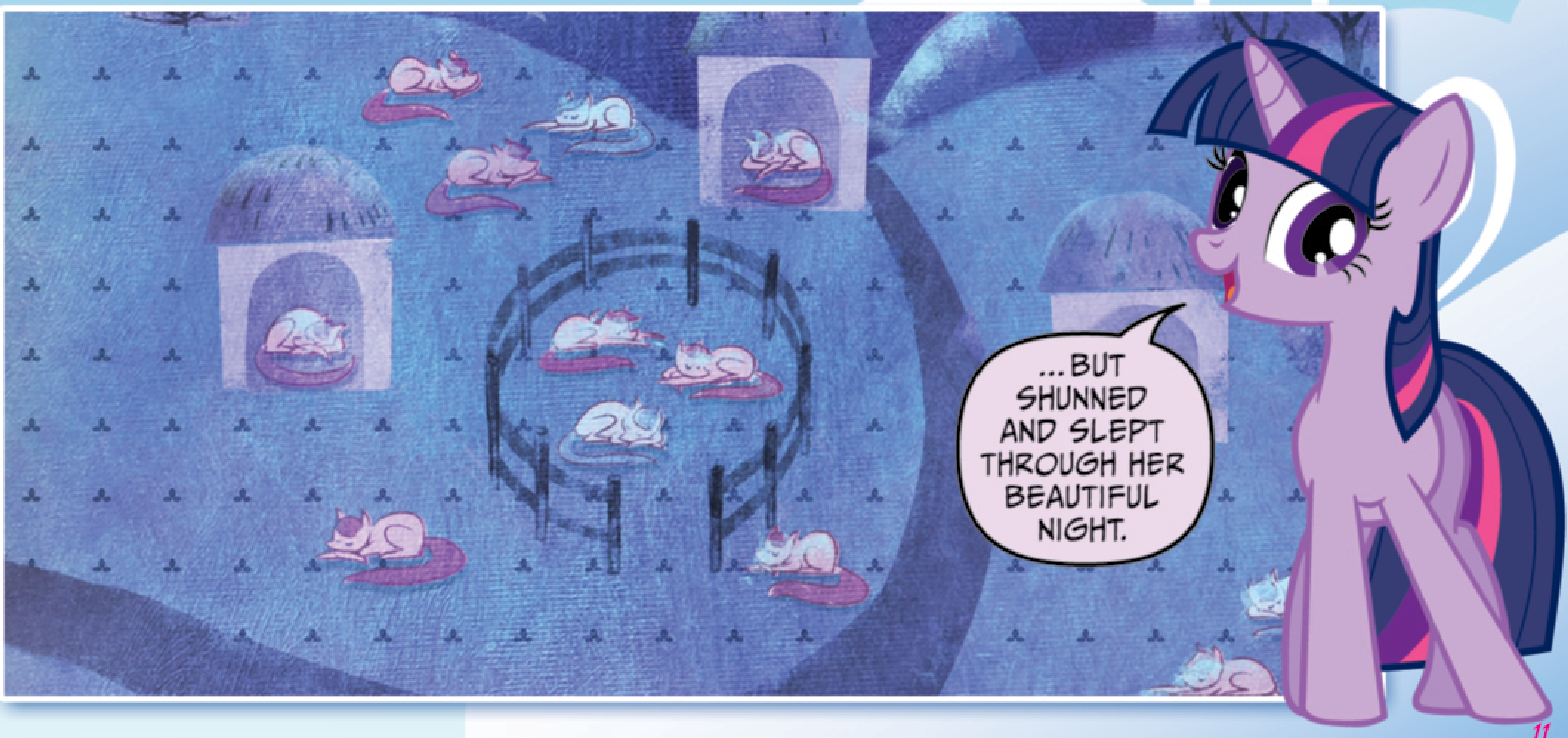

"TO DO THIS, THE ELDEST, USED HER UNICORN POWERS TO RAISE THE SUN AT DAWN.

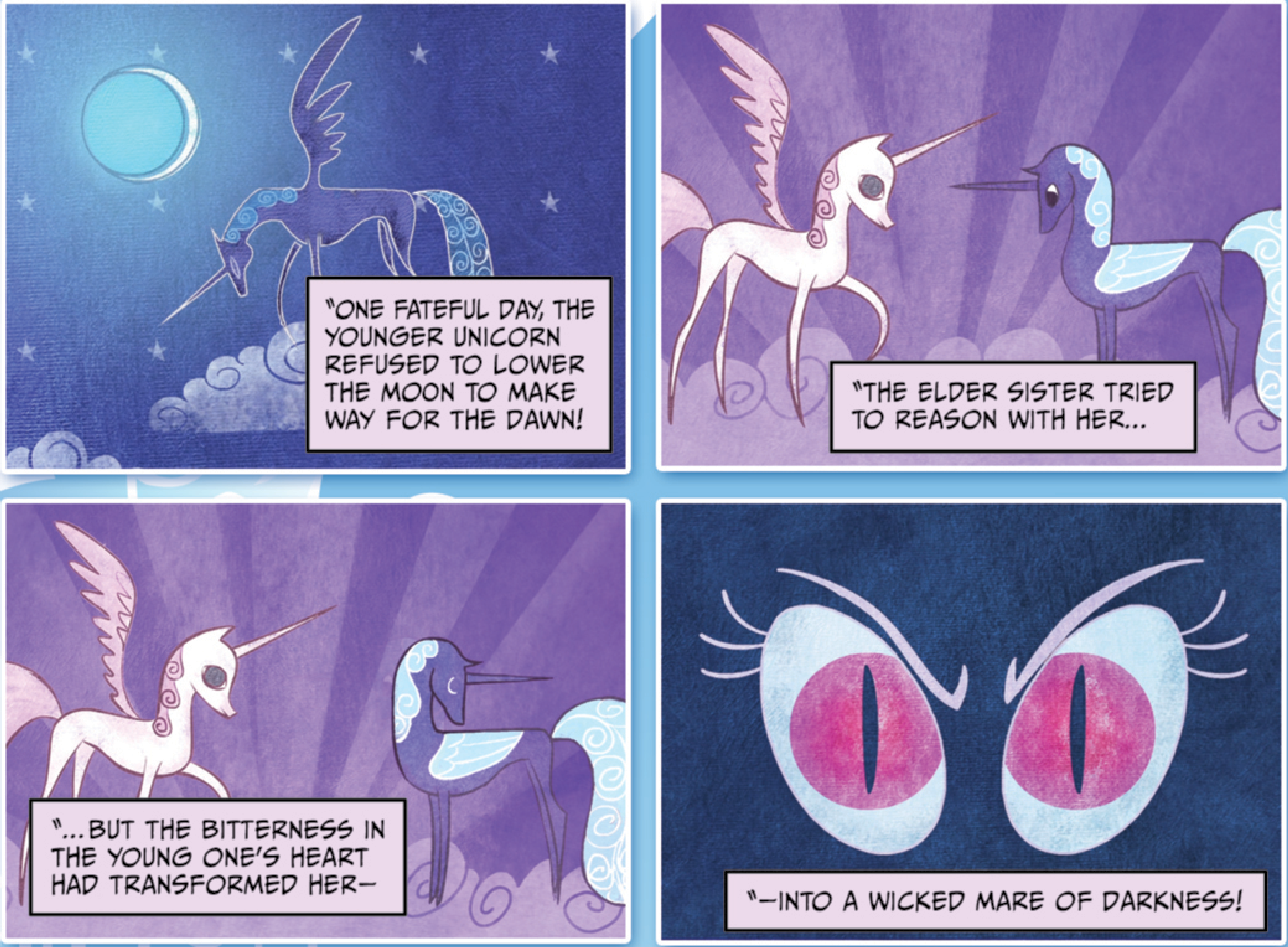

"THE YOUNGER, BROUGHT OUT THE MOON TO BEGIN THE NIGHT.

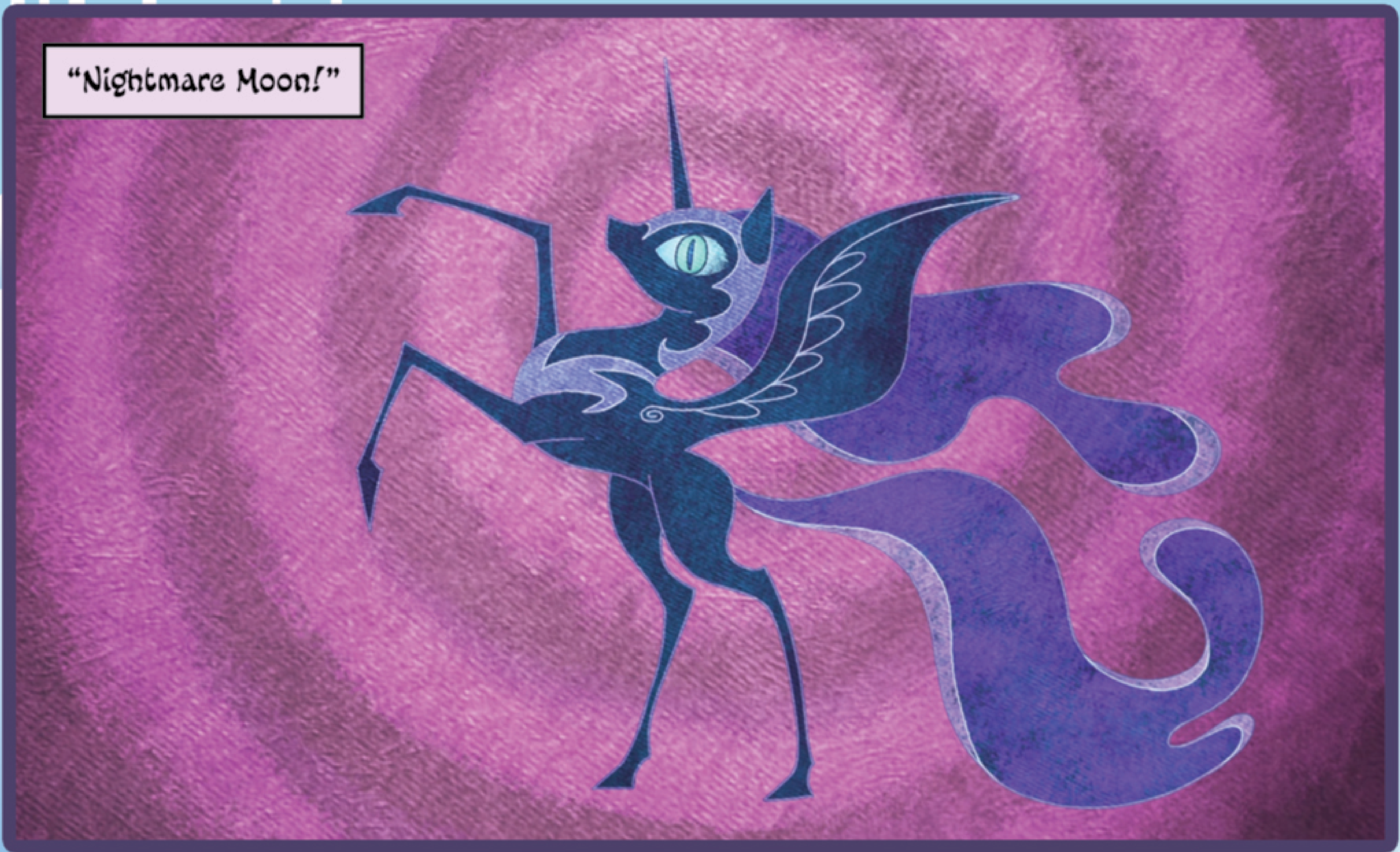

"THUS THE TWO SISTERS MAINTAINED BALANCE FOR THEIR KINGDOM AND THEIR SUBJECTS...
"...ALL THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PONIES."

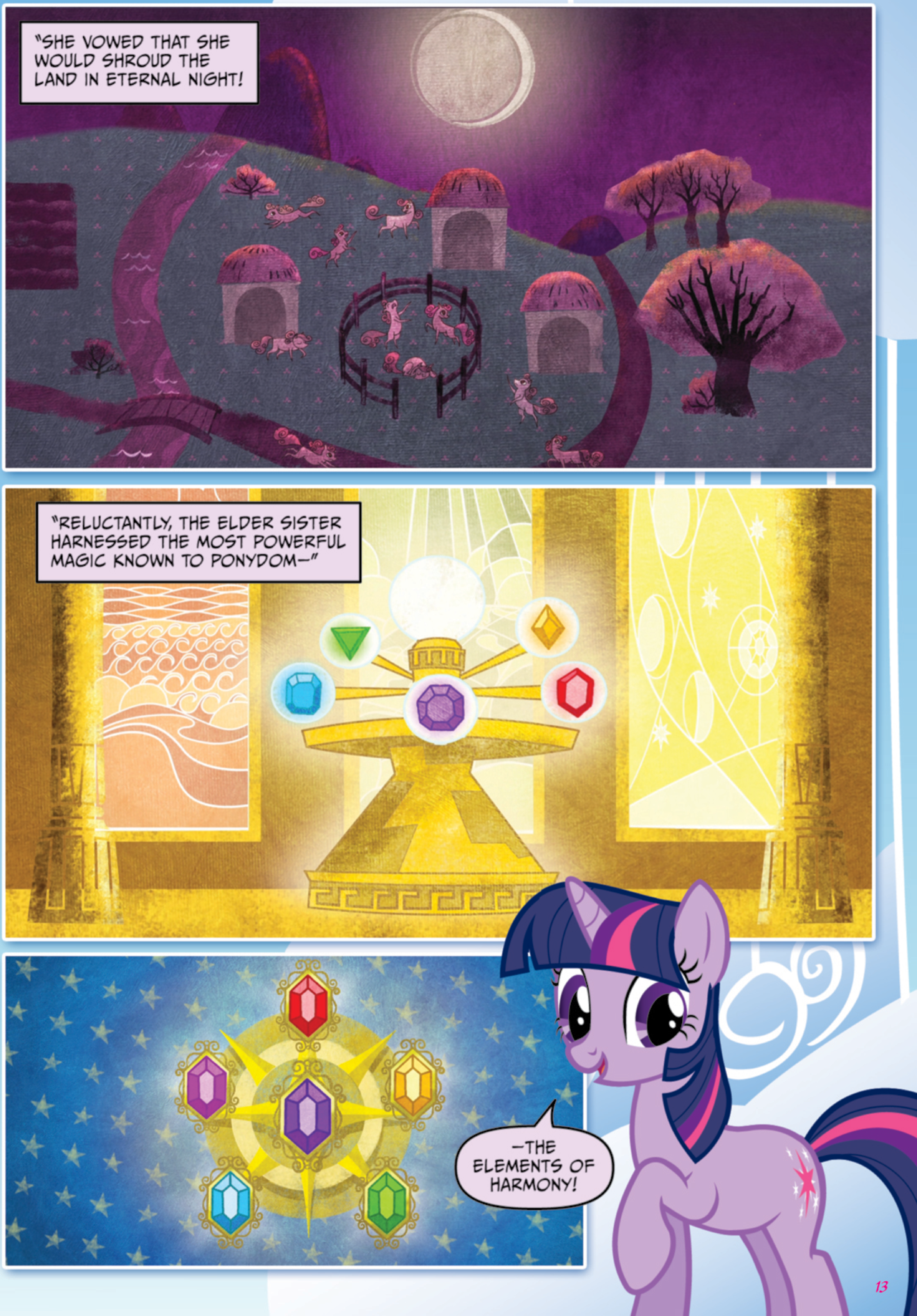

"BUT AS TIME WENT ON, THE YOUNGER SISTER BECAME RESENTFUL.

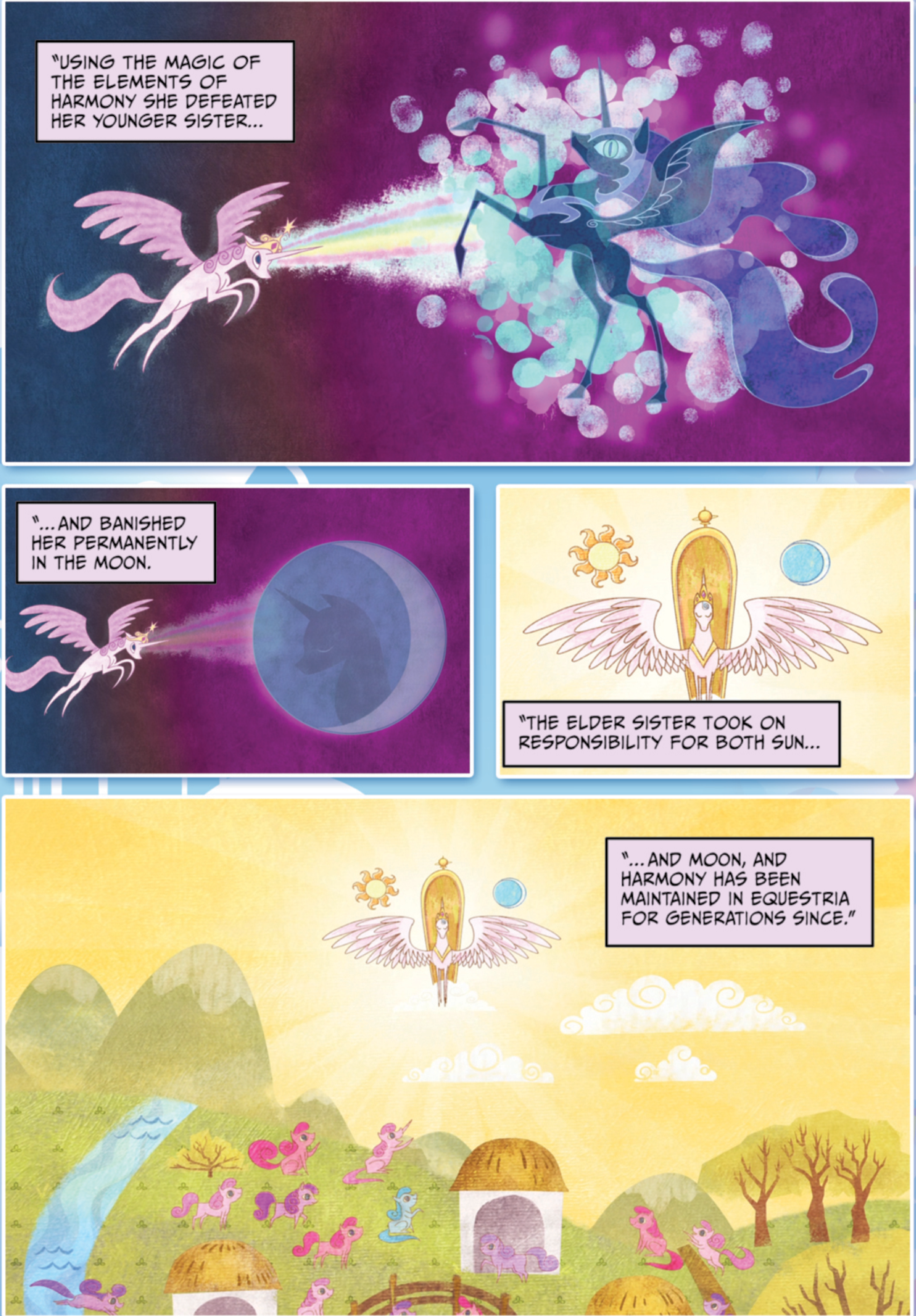

"THE PONIES RELISHED AND PLAYED IN THE DAY HER ELDER SISTER BROUGHT..."

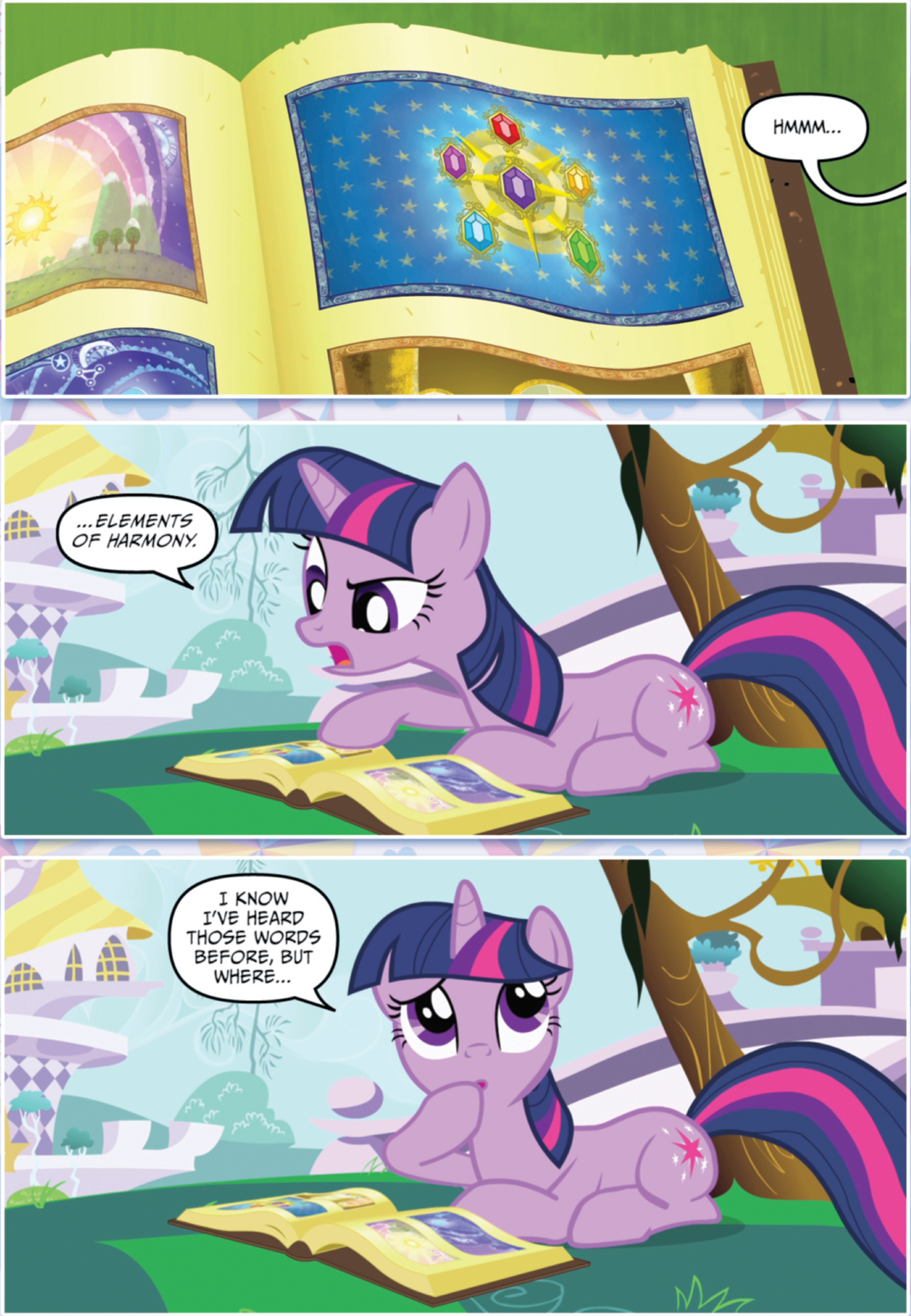

...BUT SHUNNED AND SLEPT THROUGH HER BEAUTIFUL NIGHT.

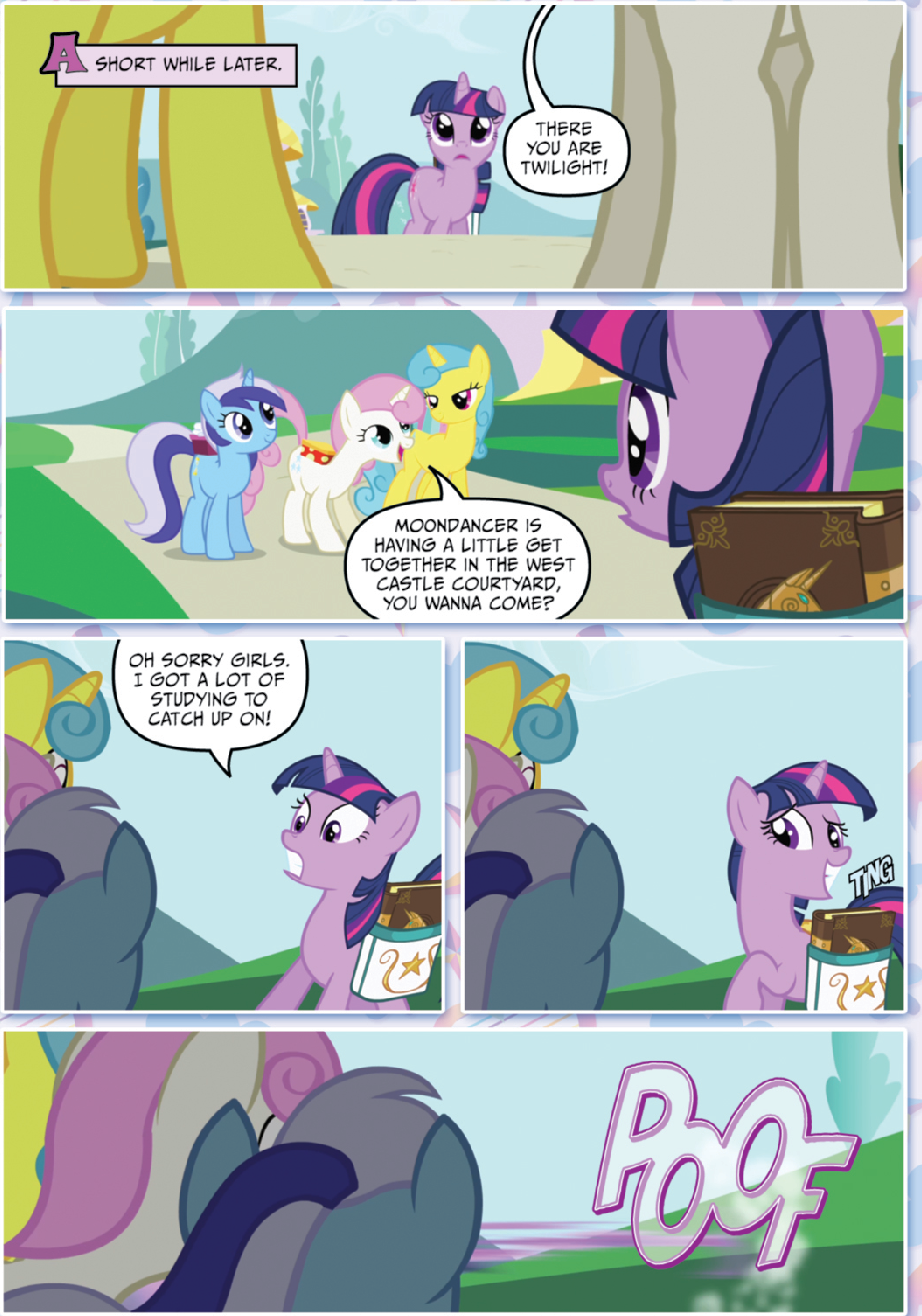

"ONE FATEFUL DAY, THE YOUNGER UNICORN REFUSED TO LOWER THE MOON TO MAKE WAY FOR THE DAWN!
"THE ELDER SISTER TRIED TO REASON WITH HER...
"...BUT THE BITTERNESS IN THE YOUNG ONE'S HEART HAD TRANSFORMED HER—
"—INTO A WICKED MARE OF DARKNESS!

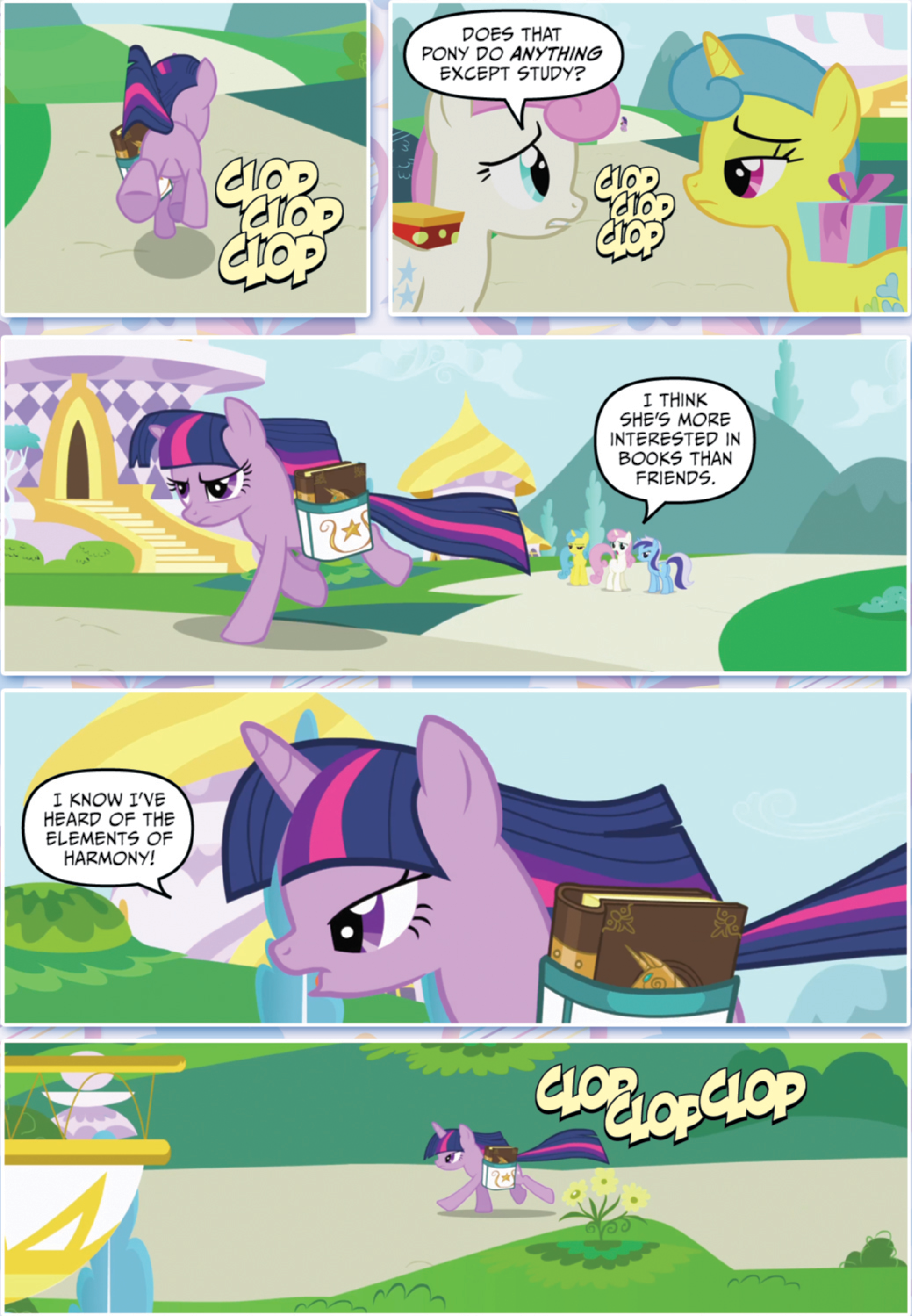

"Nightmare Moon!"

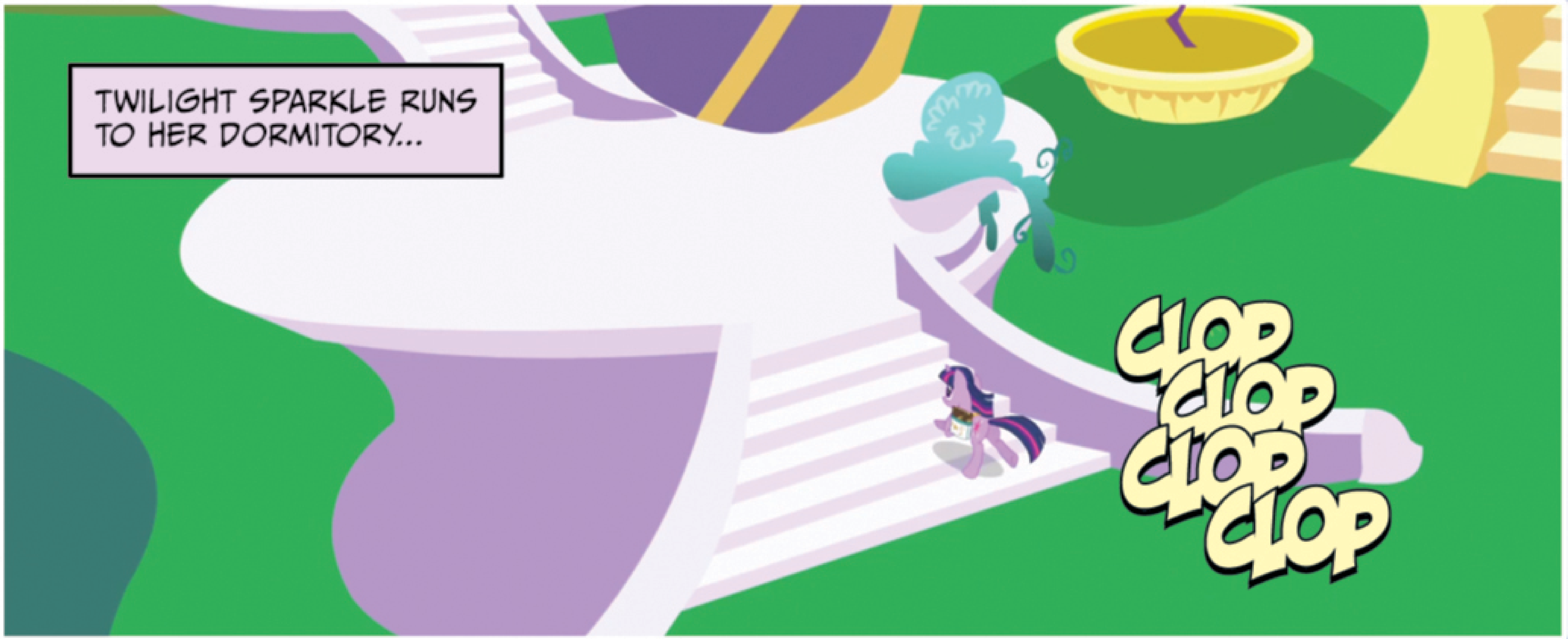

"SHE VOWED THAT SHE WOULD SHROUD THE LAND IN ETERNAL NIGHT!
"RELUCTANTLY, THE ELDER SISTER HARNESSED THE MOST POWERFUL MAGIC KNOWN TO PONYDOM—"
—THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY!

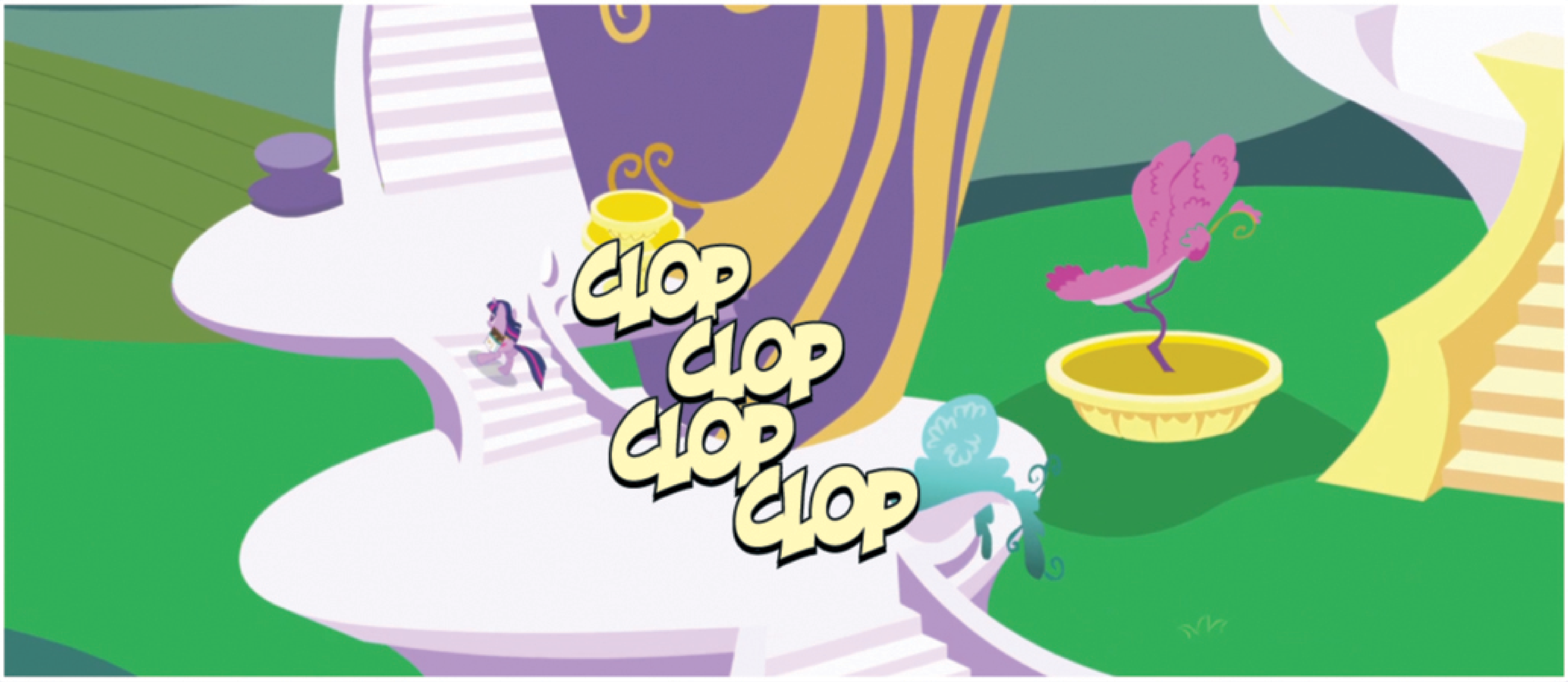

"USING THE MAGIC OF THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY SHE DEFEATED HER YOUNGER SISTER...
"...AND BANISHED HER PERMANENTLY IN THE MOON.
"THE ELDER SISTER TOOK ON RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOTH SUN...
"...AND MOON, AND HARMONY HAS BEEN MAINTAINED IN EQUESTRIA FOR GENERATIONS SINCE."

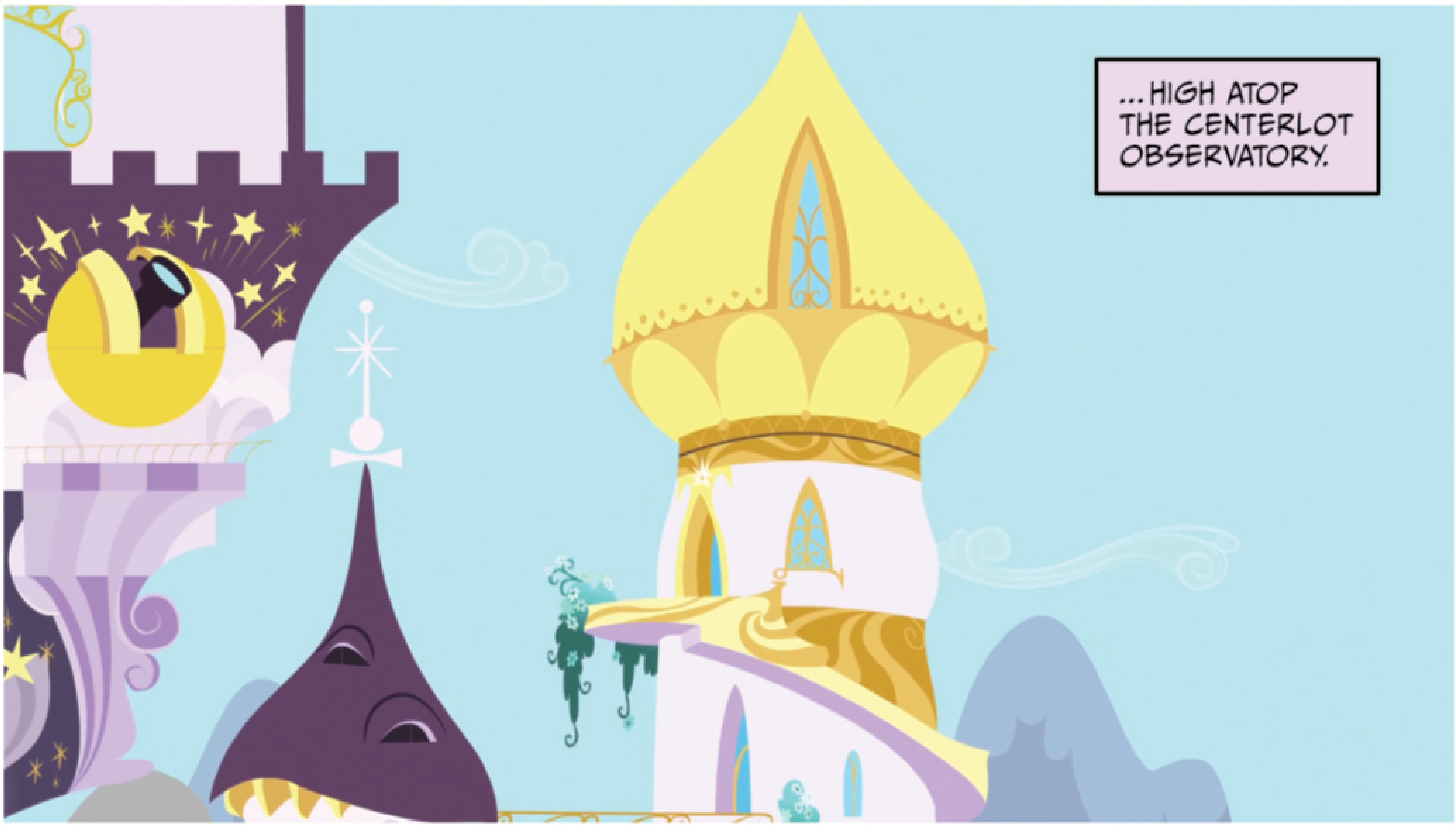

HMMM...
...ELEMENTS OF HARMONY.
I KNOW I'VE HEARD THOSE WORDS BEFORE, BUT WHERE...

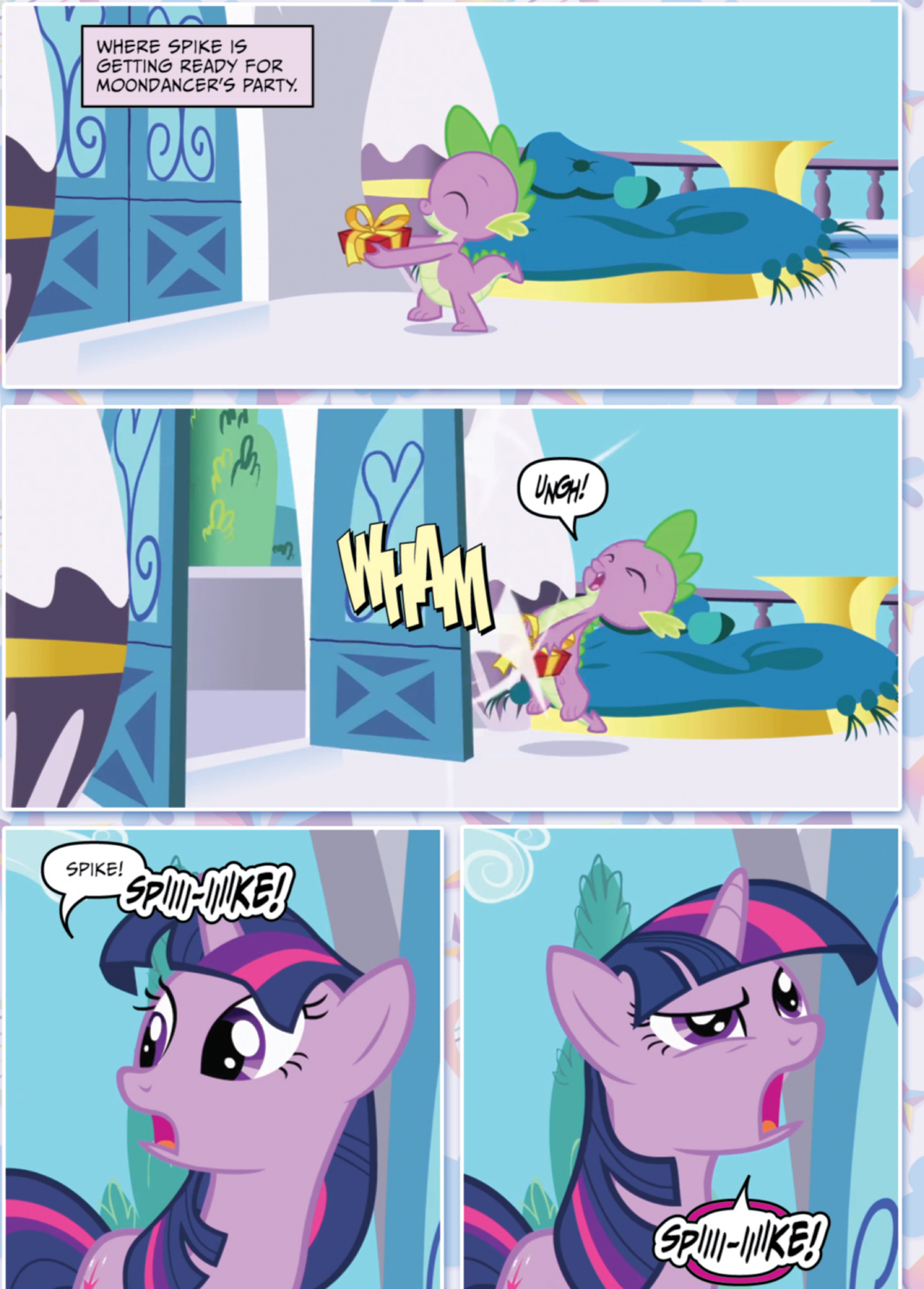

A SHORT WHILE LATER.
THERE YOU ARE TWILIGHT!
MOONDANCER IS HAVING A LITTLE GET TOGETHER IN THE WEST CASTLE COURTYARD, YOU WANNA COME?
OH SORRY GIRLS. I GOT A LOT OF STUDYING TO CATCH UP ON!
TING
POOF

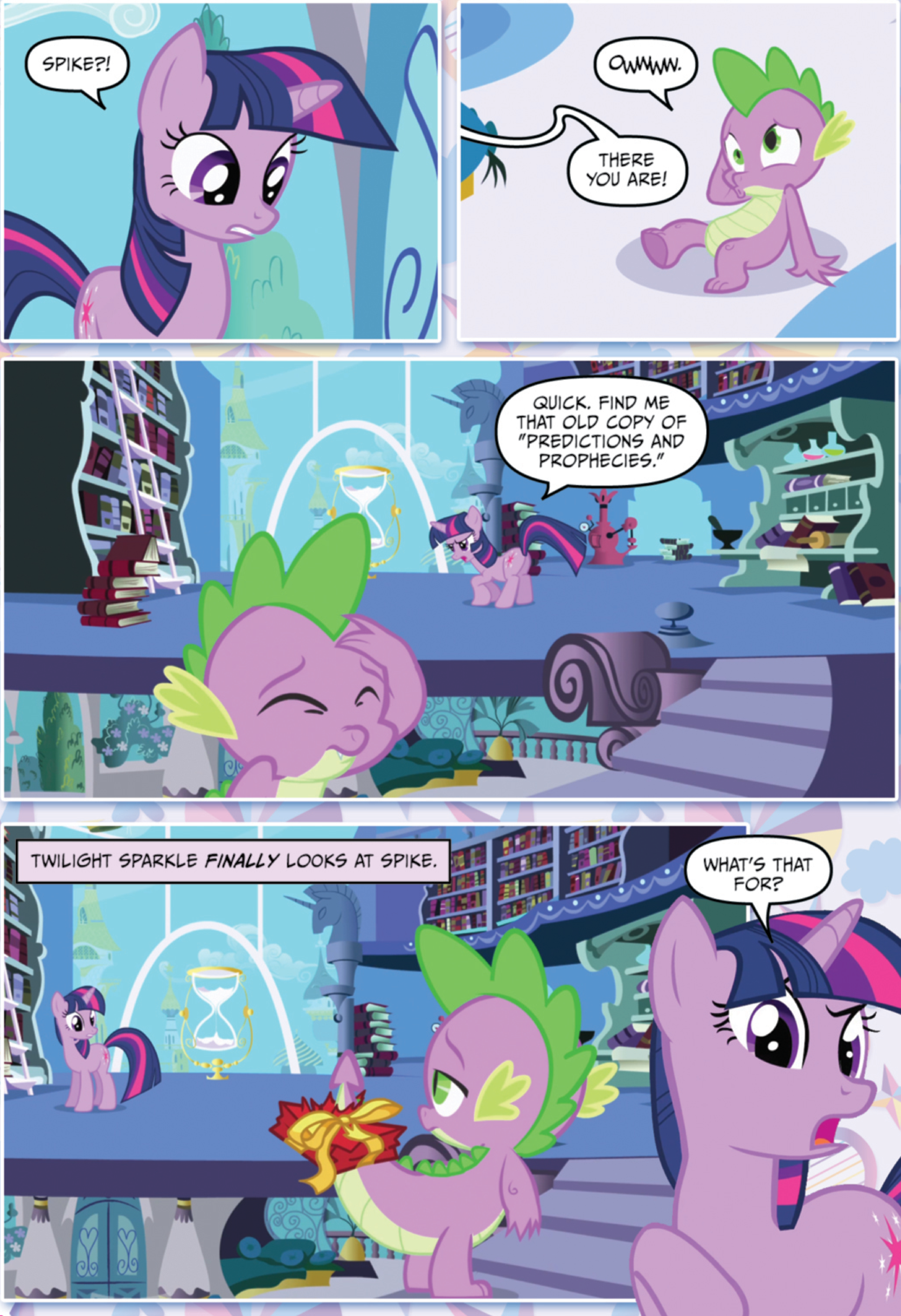

CLOP CLOP CLOP
DOES THAT PONY DO *ANYTHING* EXCEPT STUDY?
CLOP CLOP CLOP
I THINK SHE'S MORE INTERESTED IN BOOKS THAN FRIENDS.
I KNOW I'VE HEARD OF THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY!
CLOP CLOP CLOP

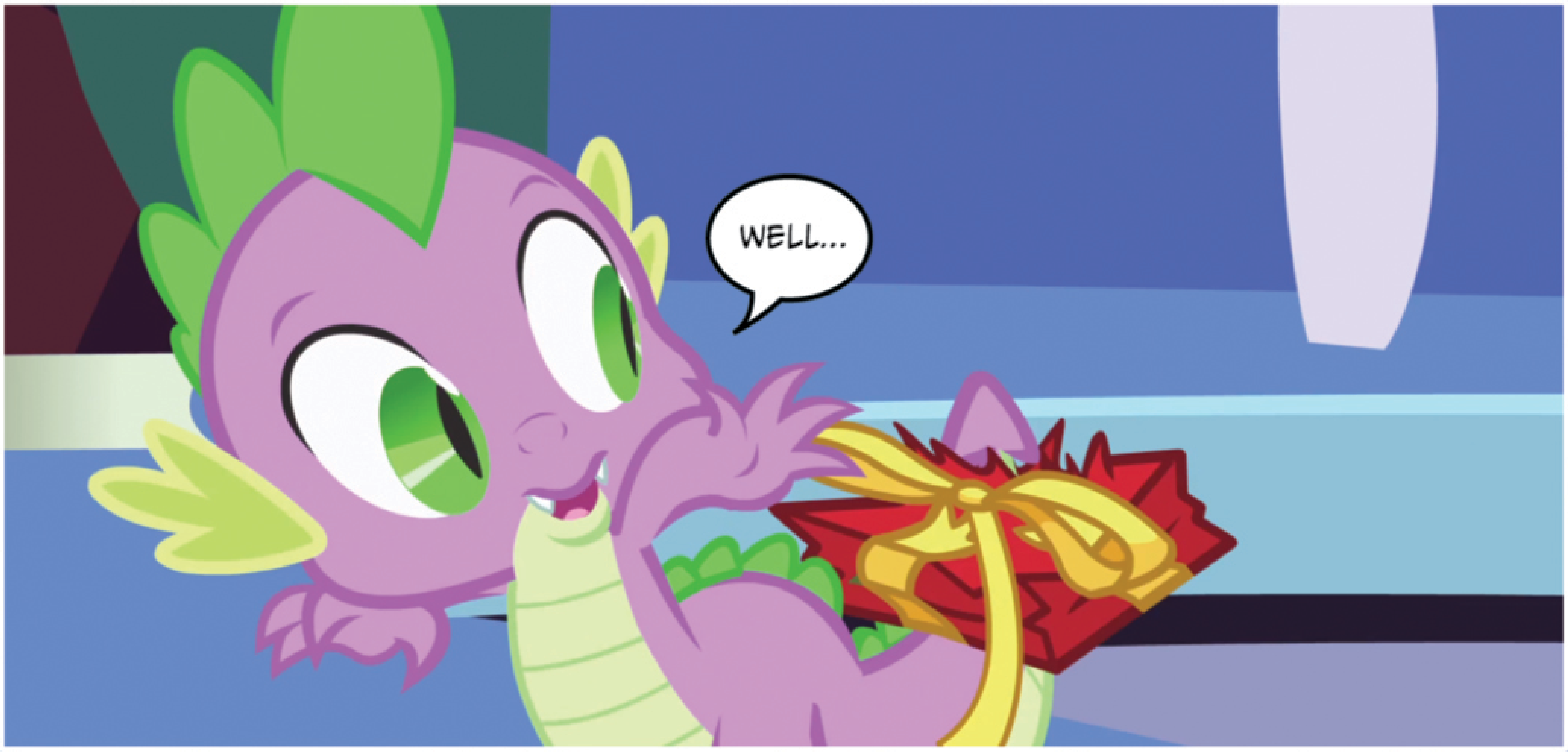

TWILIGHT SPARKLE RUNS TO HER DORMITORY...
CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

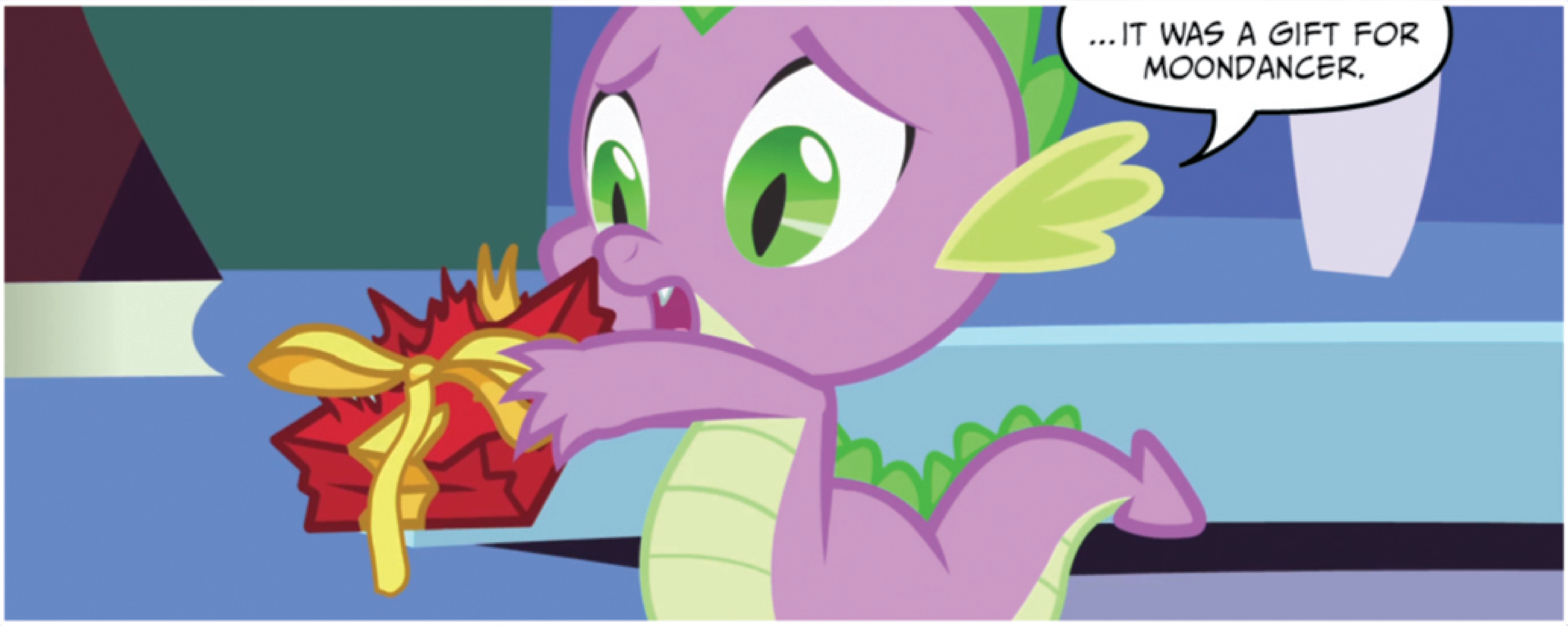

CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

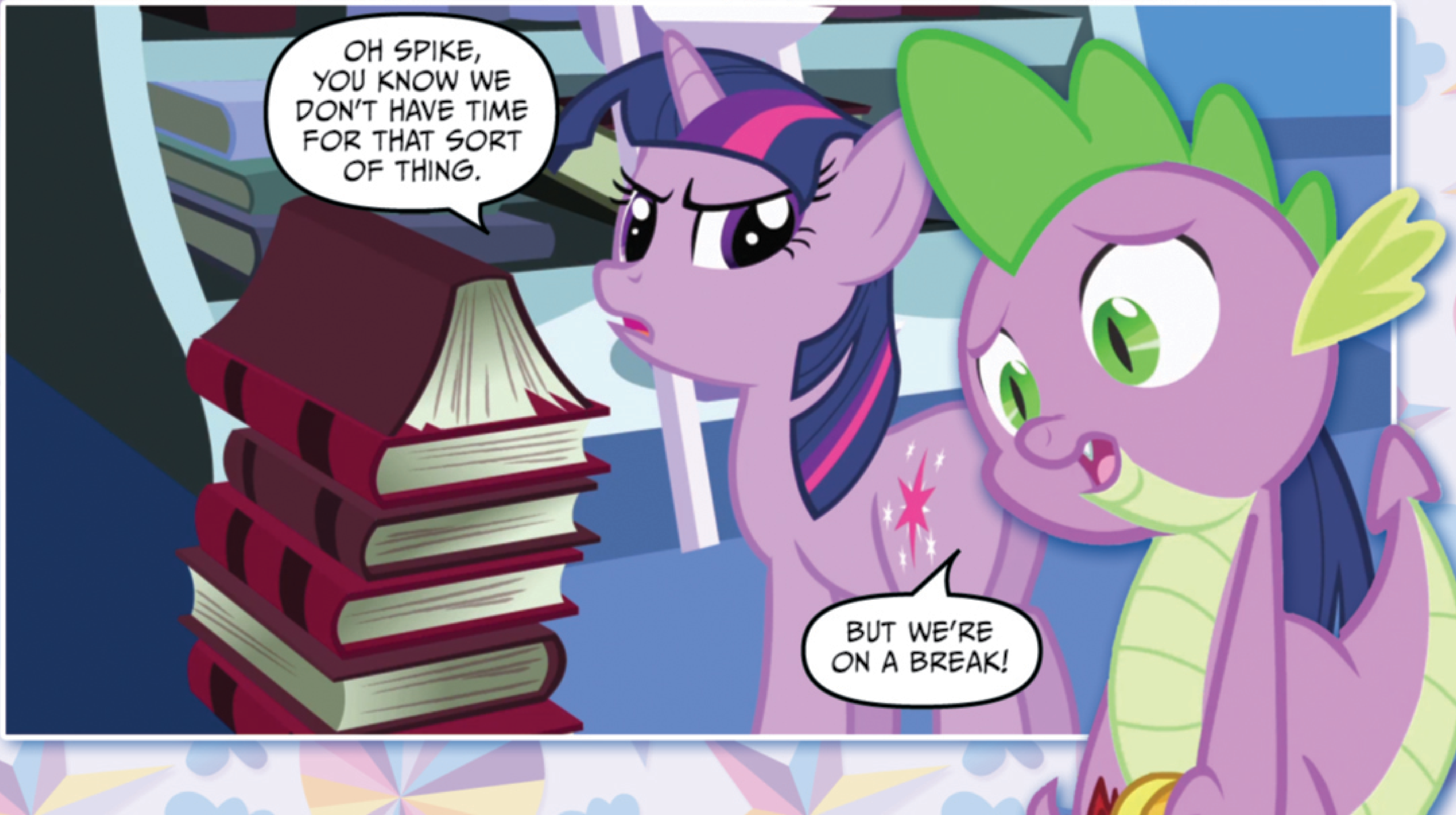

...HIGH ATOP THE CENTERLOT OBSERVATORY.

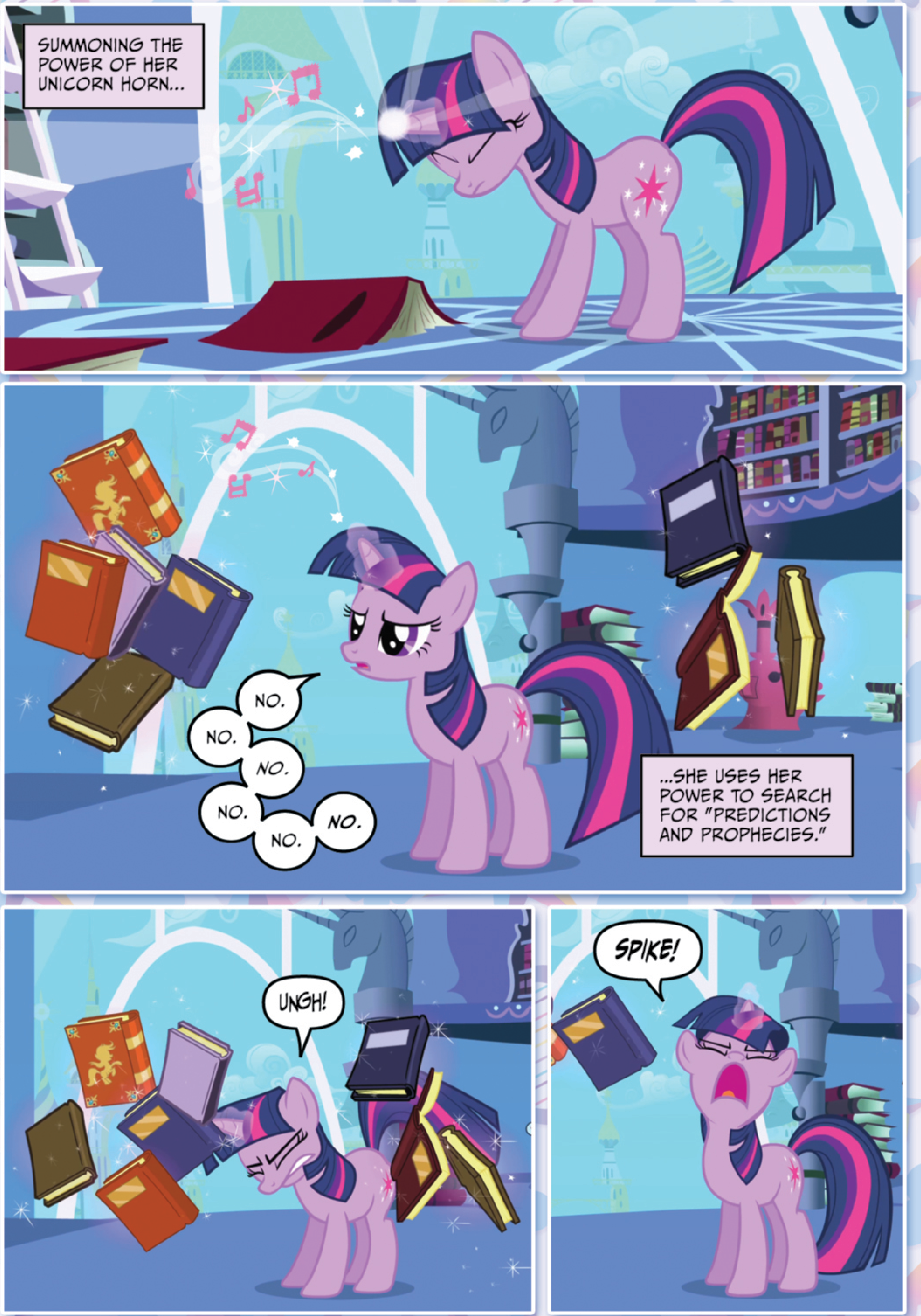

WHERE SPIKE IS GETTING READY FOR MOONDANCER'S PARTY.
UNGH!
WHAM
SPIKE! SPIIII-IIIIKE!
SPIIII-IIIIKE!

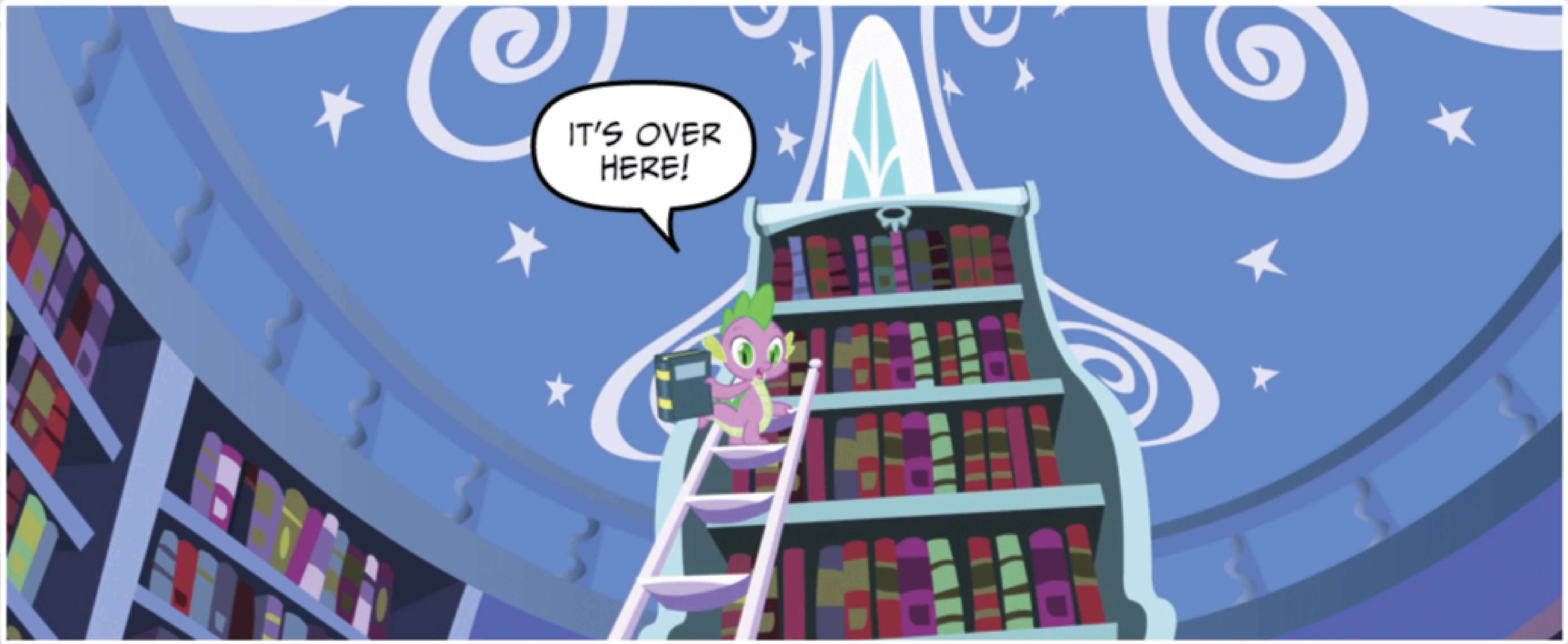

SPIKE?!
OWWWW.
THERE YOU ARE!
QUICK. FIND ME THAT OLD COPY OF "PREDICTIONS AND PROPHECIES."
TWILIGHT SPARKLE *FINALLY* LOOKS AT SPIKE.
WHAT'S THAT FOR?

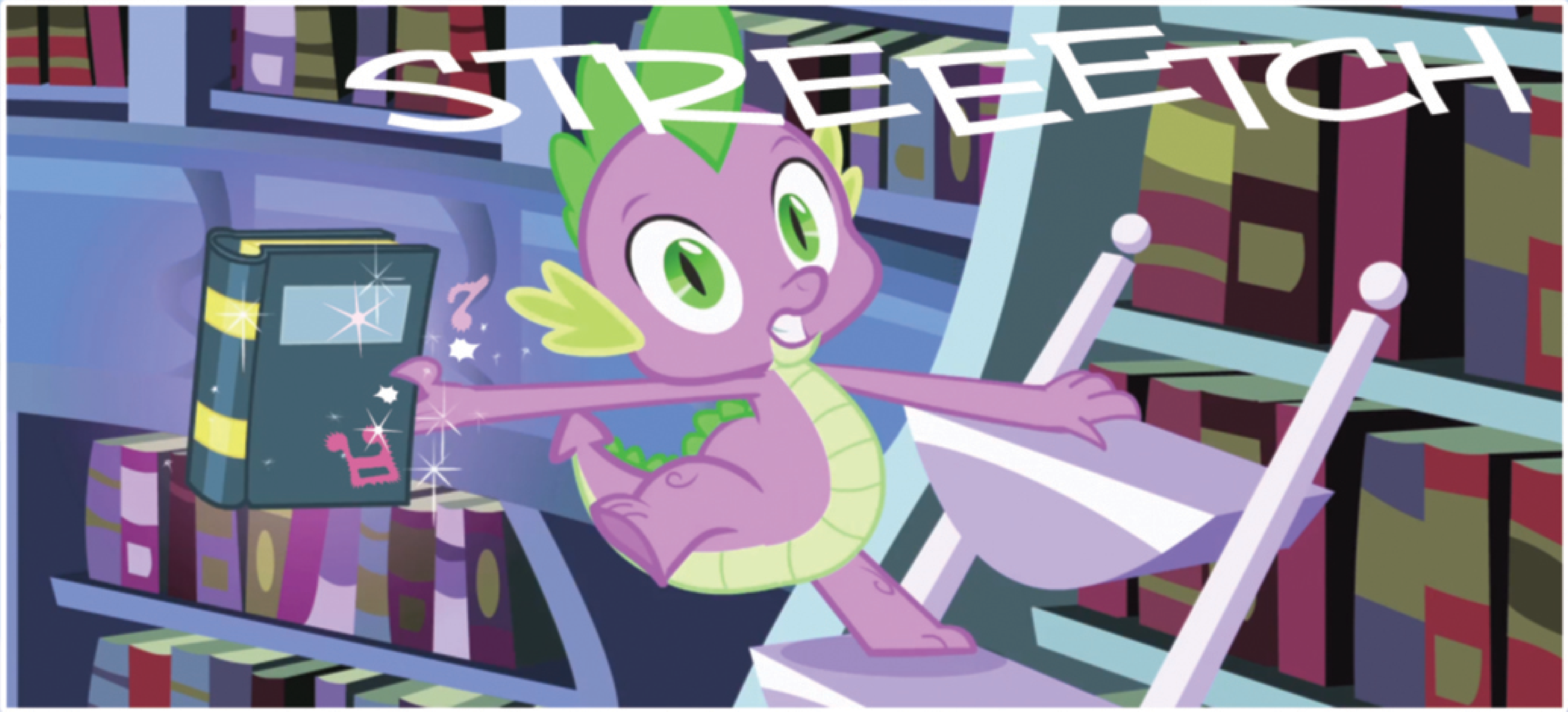

WELL...


...IT WAS A GIFT FOR MOONDANCER.


OH SPIKE, YOU KNOW WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT SORT OF THING.
BUT WE'RE ON A BREAK!


SUMMONING THE POWER OF HER UNICORN HORN...
NO.
NO.
NO.
NO.
NO.
NO.
...SHE USES HER POWER TO SEARCH FOR "PREDICTIONS AND PROPHECIES."
UNGH!
SPIKE!


IT'S OVER HERE!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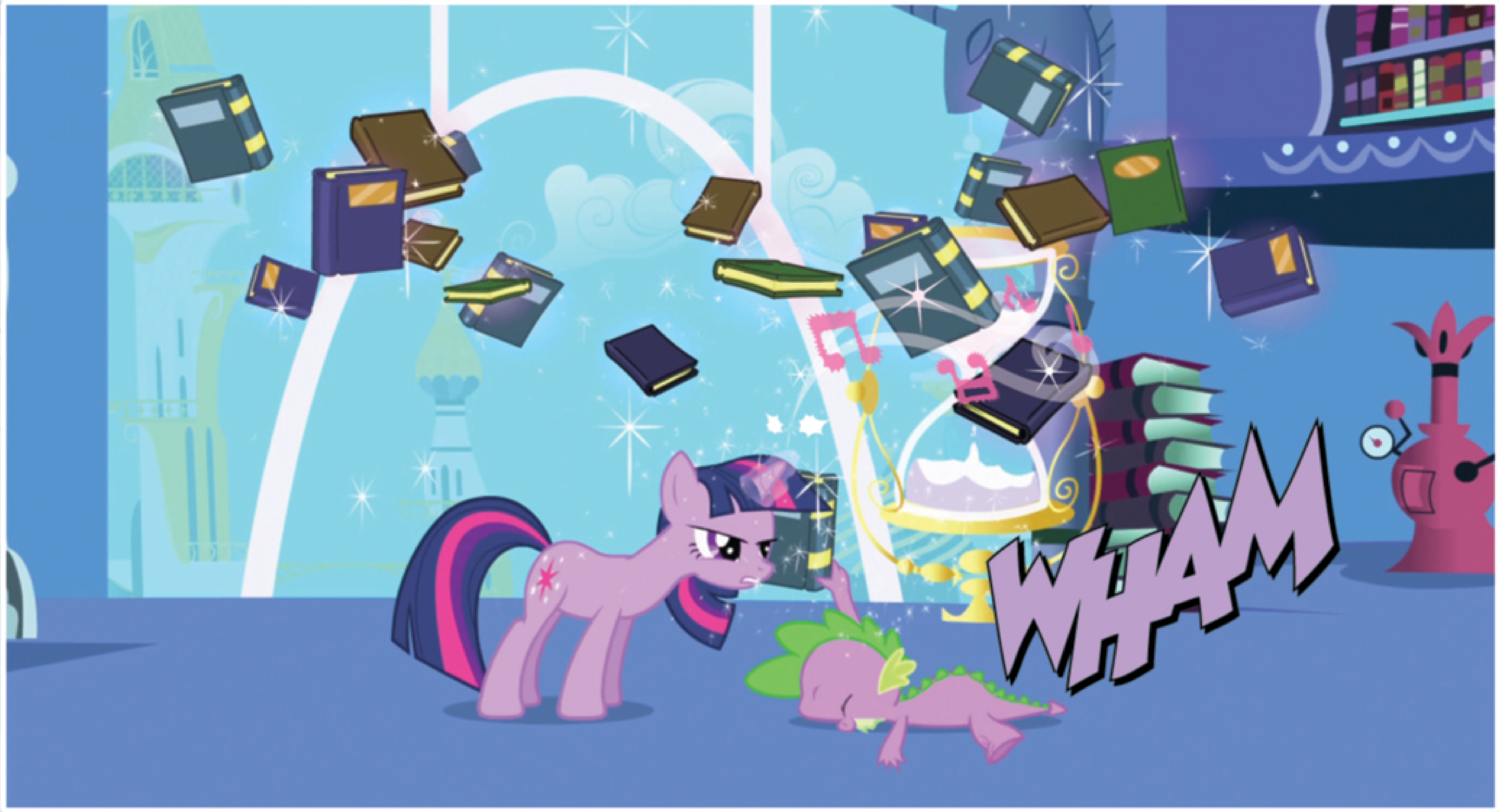
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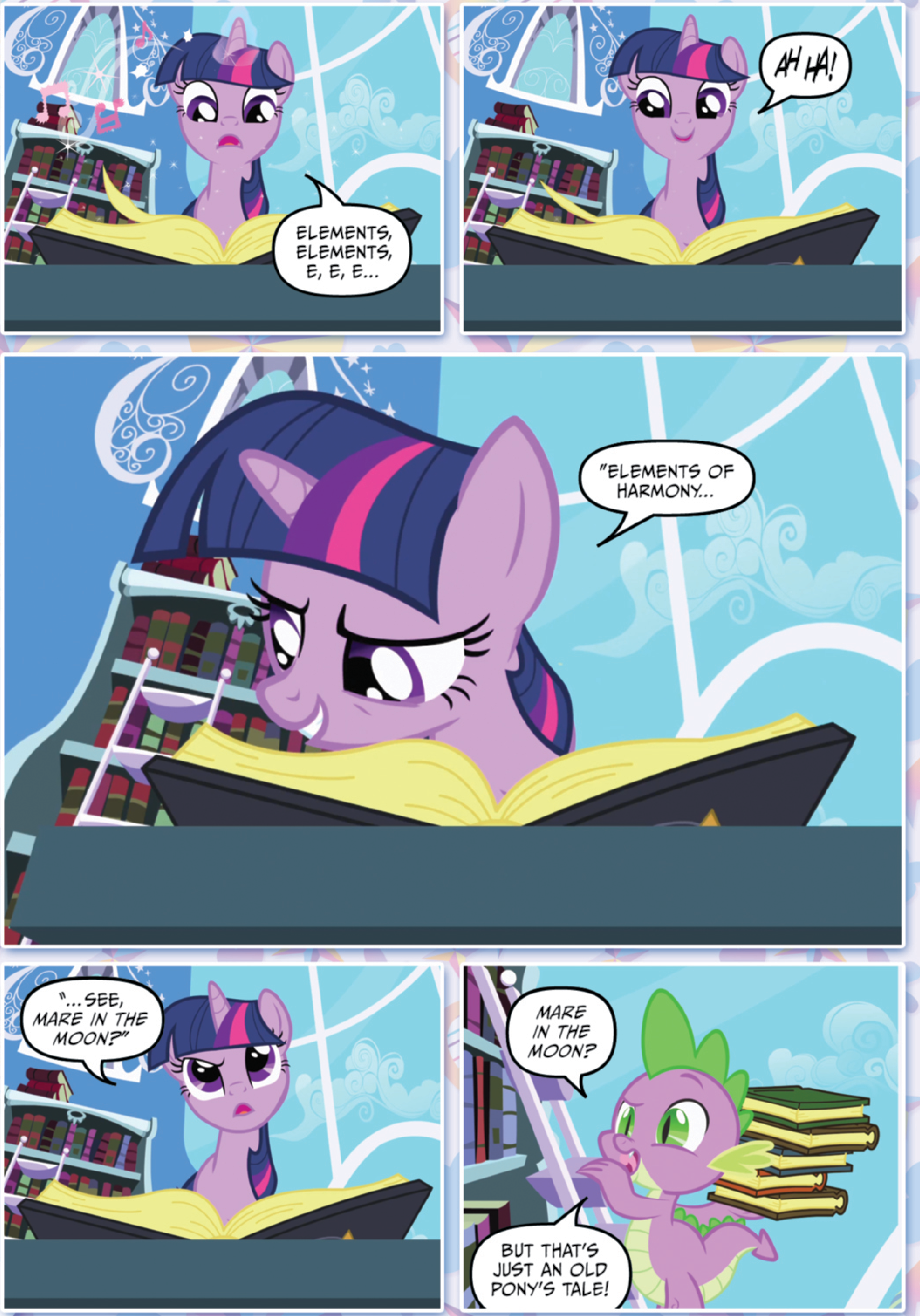
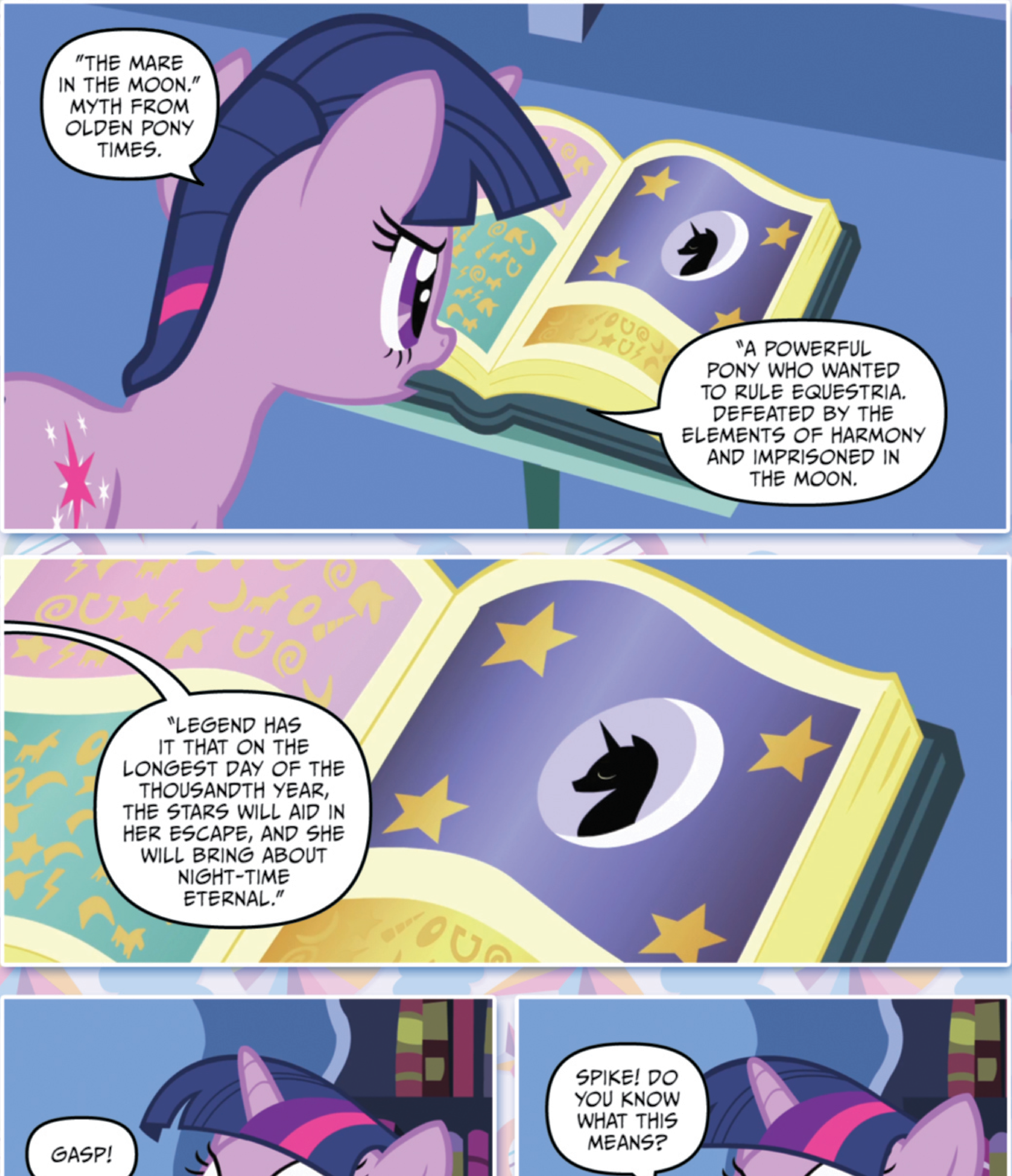
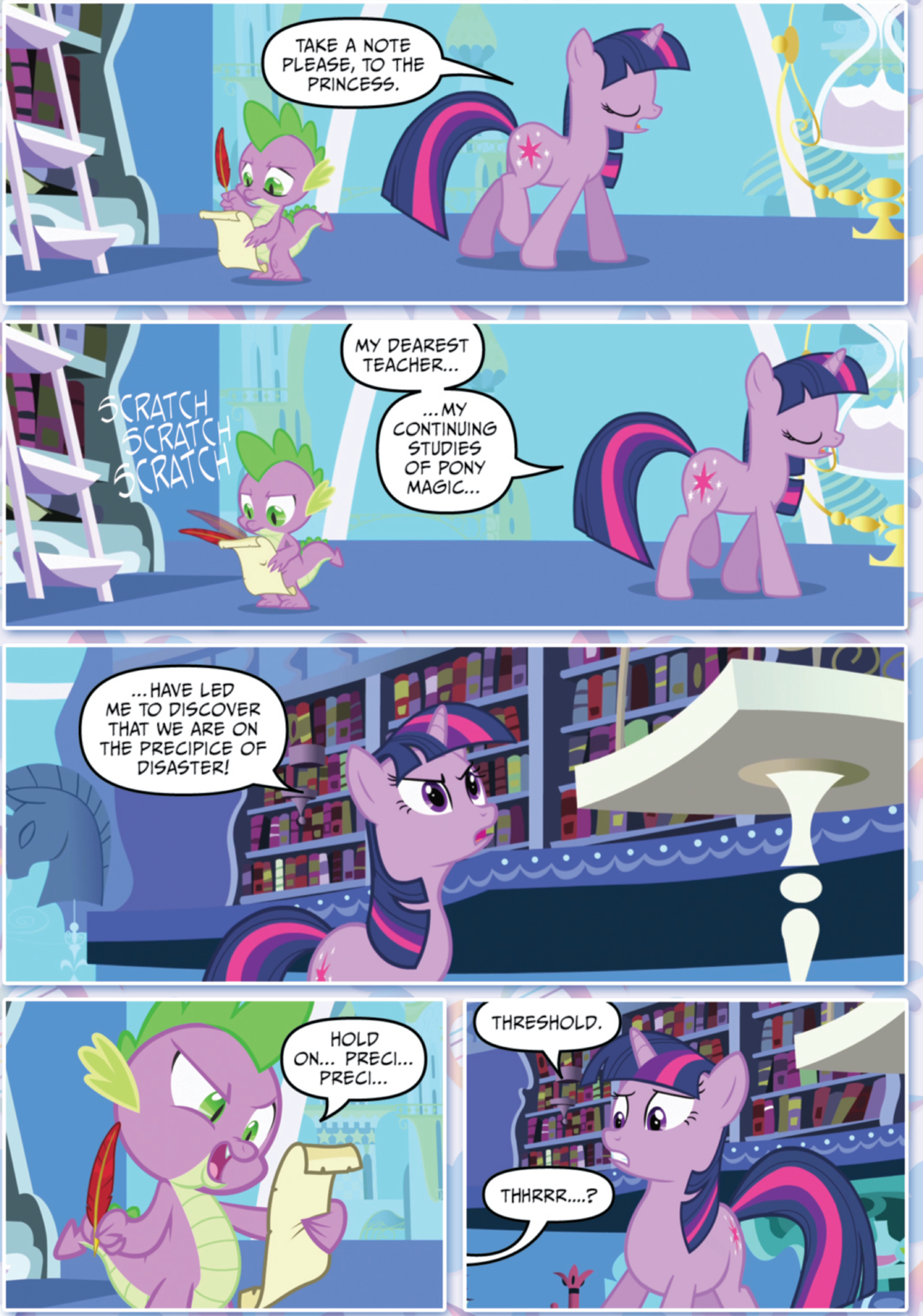
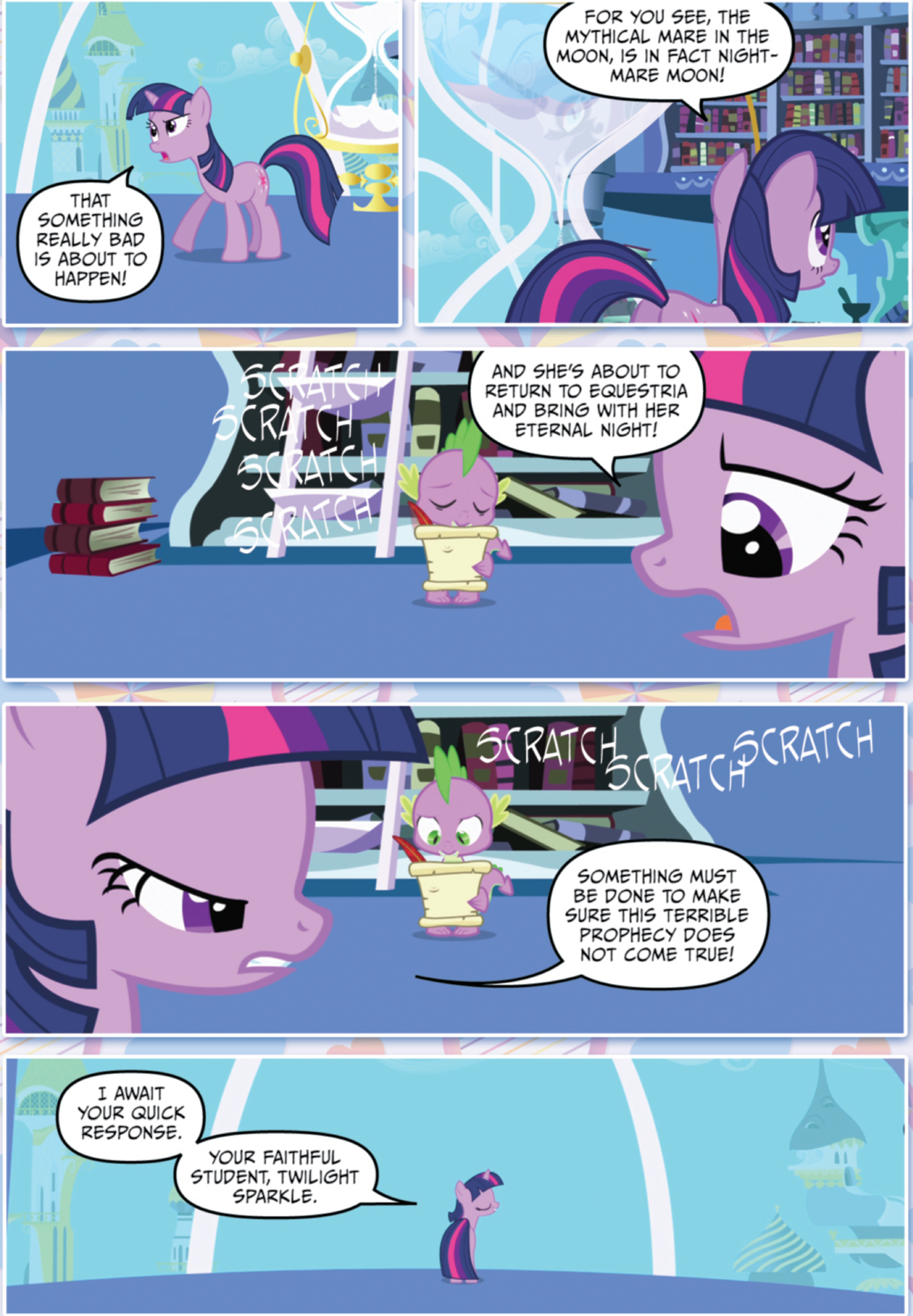
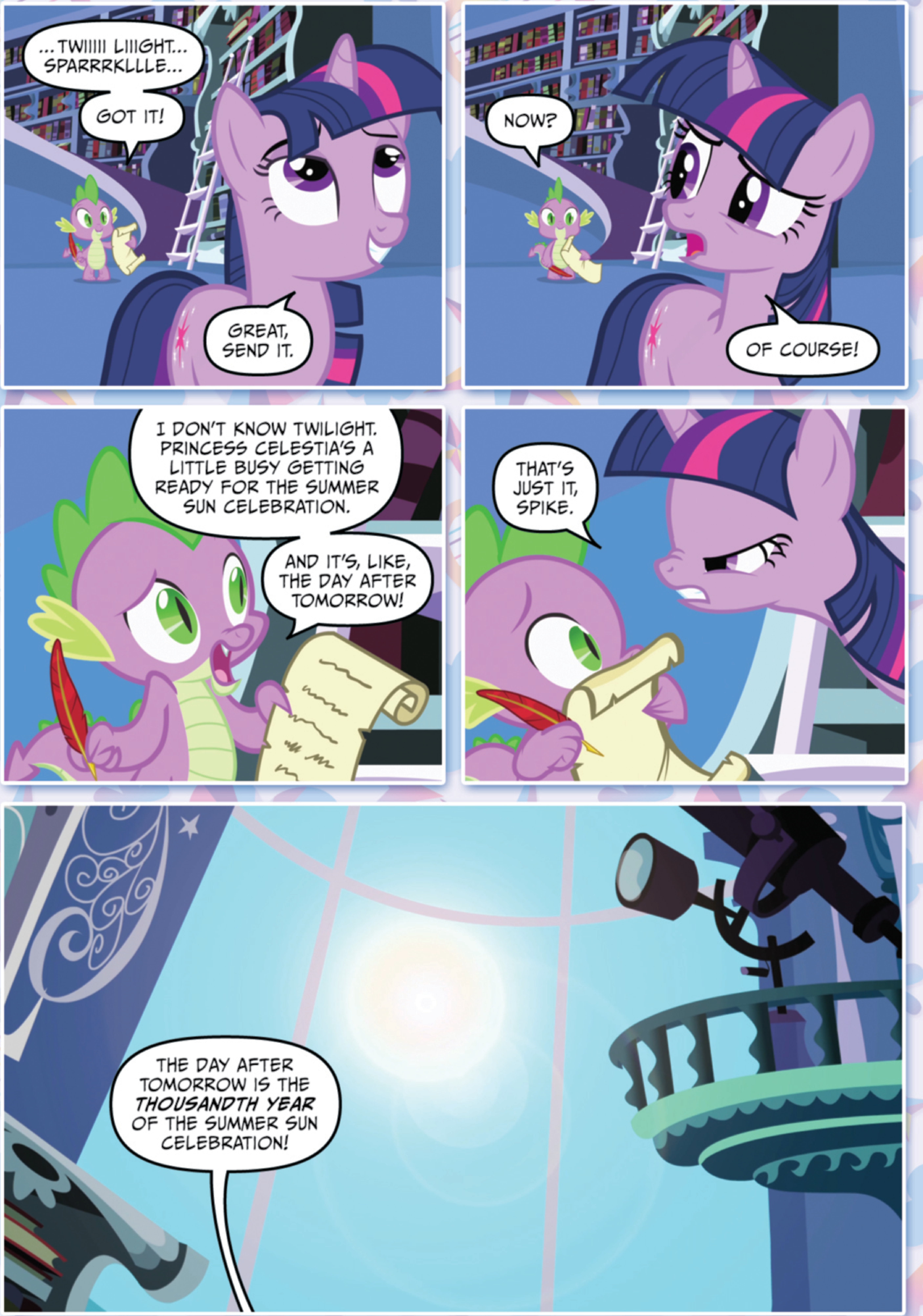
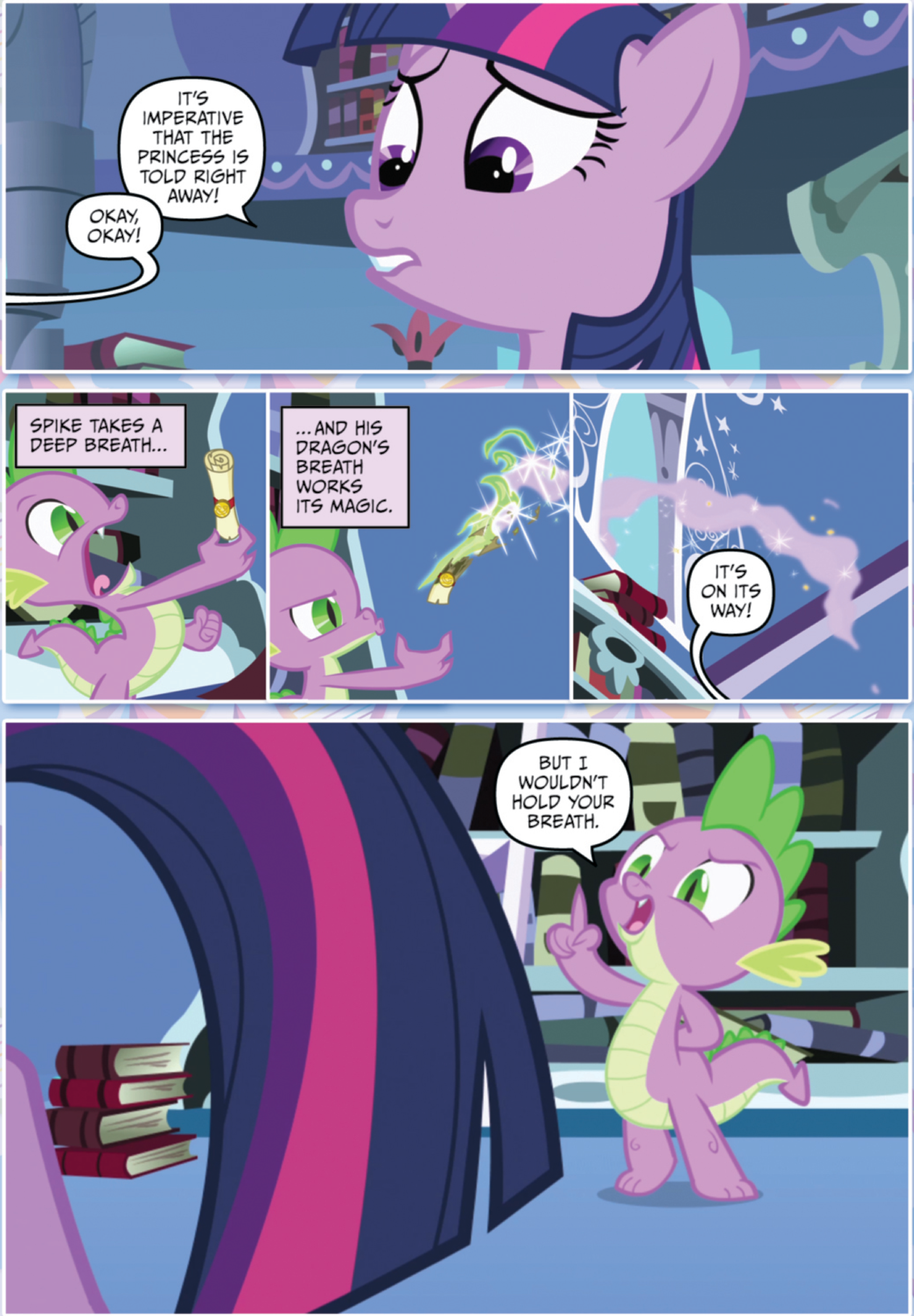

ELEMENTS, ELEMENTS, E, E, E...
AH HA!
"ELEMENTS OF HARMONY...
"...SEE, MARE IN THE MOON?"
MARE IN THE MOON?
BUT THAT'S JUST AN OLD PONY'S TALE!

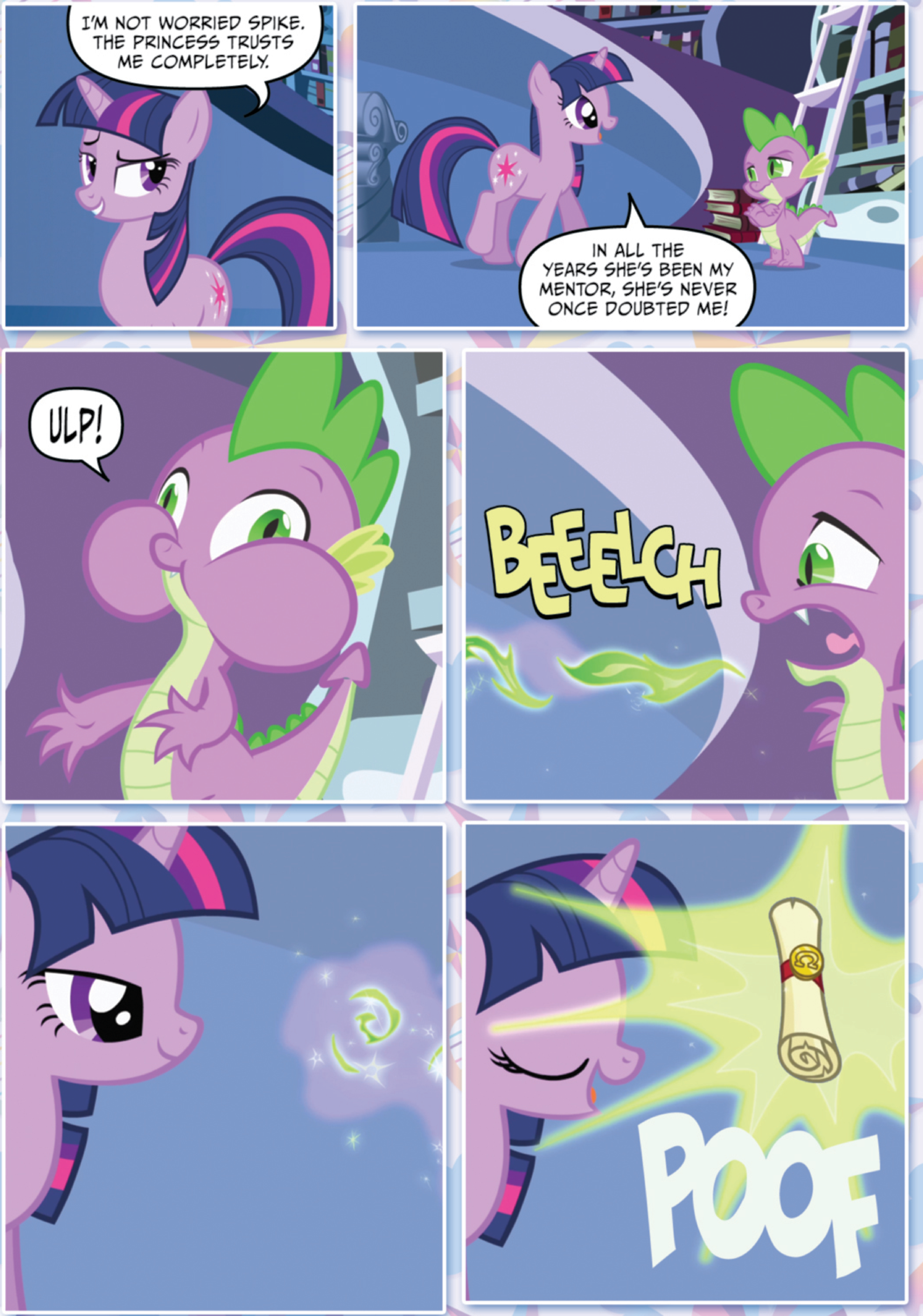

"THE MARE IN THE MOON." MYTH FROM OLDEN PONY TIMES.
"A POWERFUL PONY WHO WANTED TO RULE EQUESTRIA. DEFEATED BY THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY AND IMPRISONED IN THE MOON.
"LEGEND HAS IT THAT ON THE LONGEST DAY OF THE THOUSANDTH YEAR, THE STARS WILL AID IN HER ESCAPE, AND SHE WILL BRING ABOUT NIGHT-TIME ETERNAL."
GASP!
SPIKE! DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS?
NO... ?

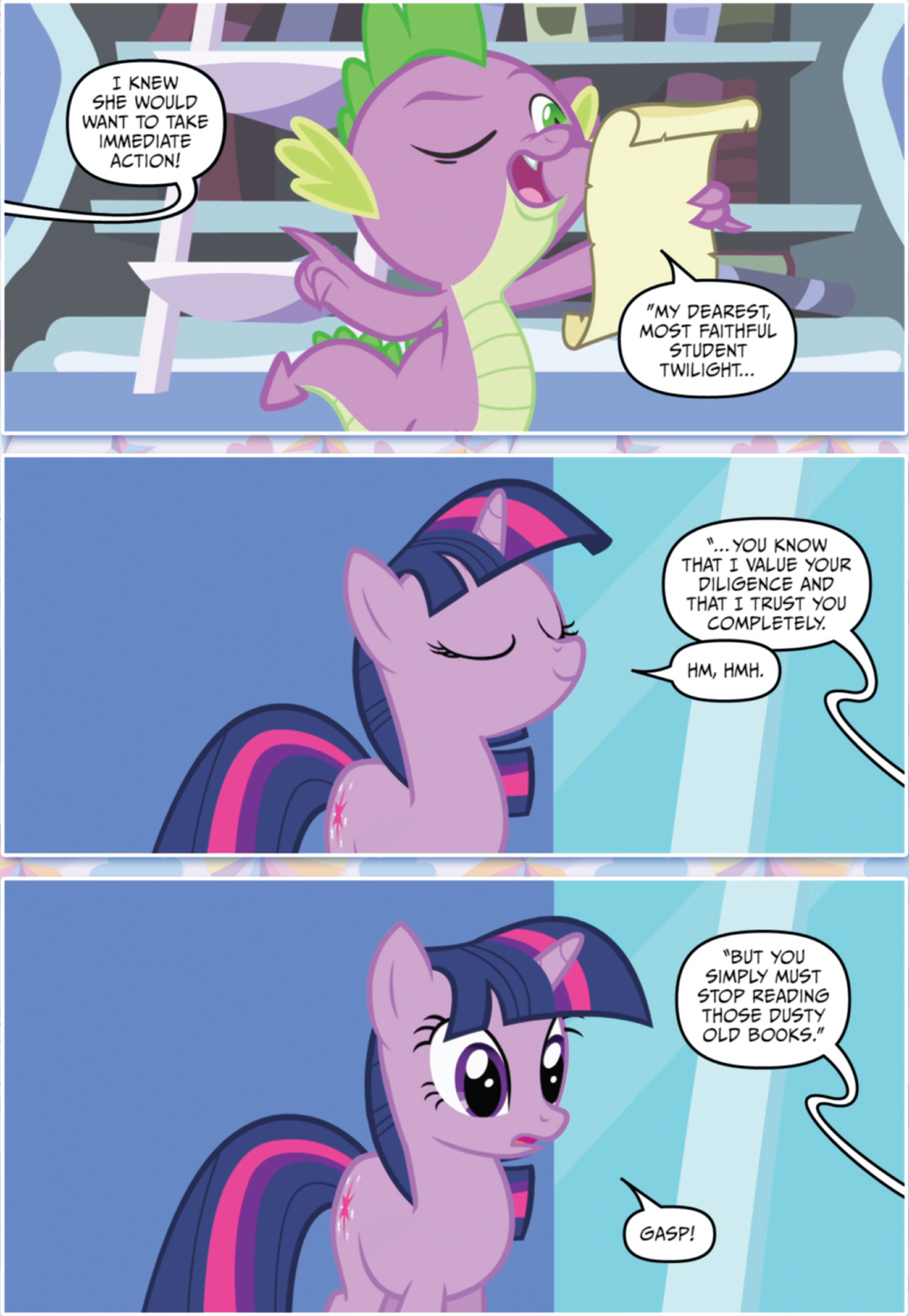

TAKE A NOTE PLEASE, TO THE PRINCESS.
SCRATCH SCRATCH SCRATCH
MY DEAREST TEACHER...
...MY CONTINUING STUDIES OF PONY MAGIC...
...HAVE LED ME TO DISCOVER THAT WE ARE ON THE PRECIPICE OF DISASTER!
HOLD ON... PRECI... PRECI...
THRESHOLD.
THHRRR....?

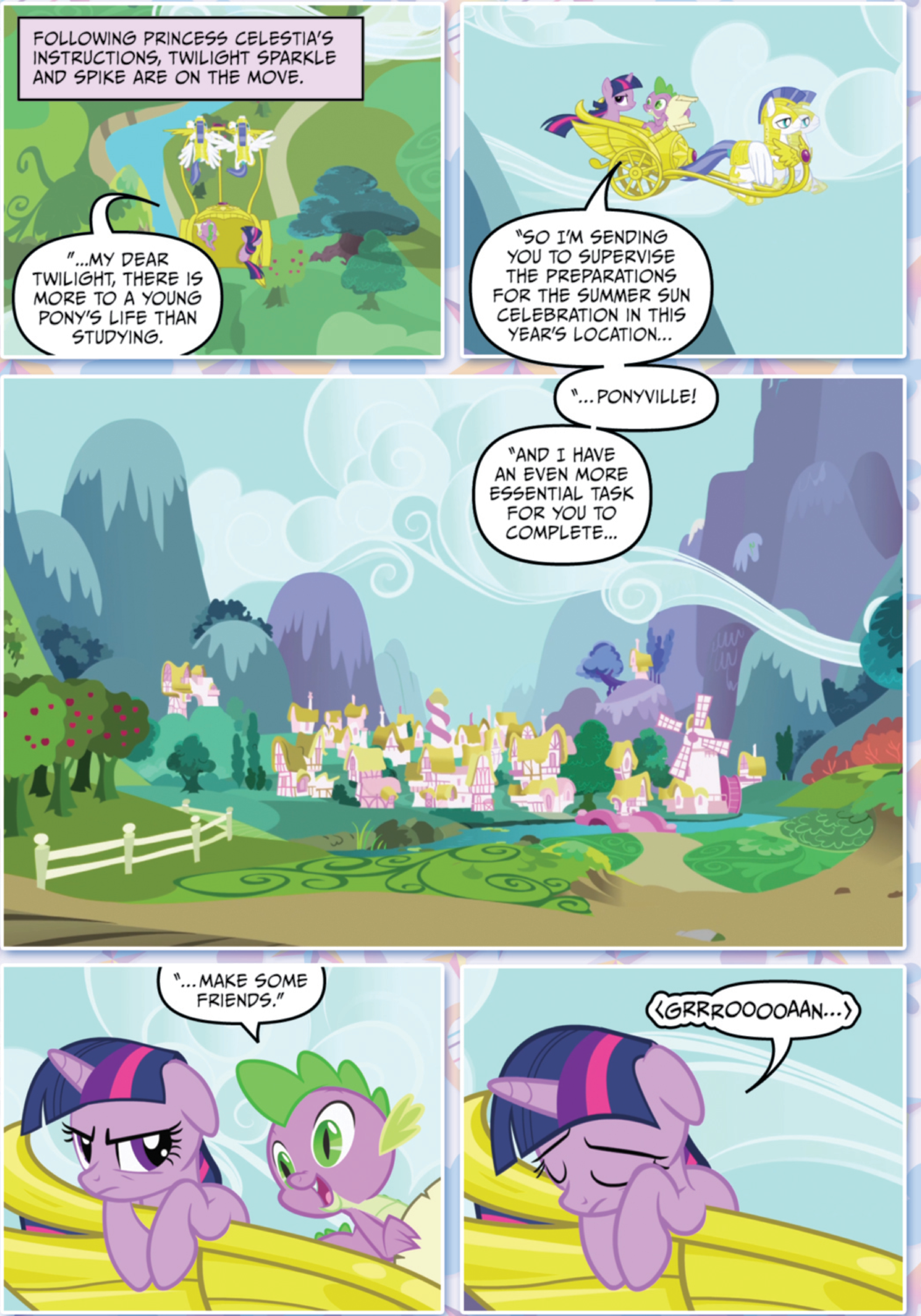

THAT SOMETHING REALLY BAD IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN!
FOR YOU SEE, THE MYTHICAL MARE IN THE MOON, IS IN FACT NIGHTMARE MOON!
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
AND SHE'S ABOUT TO RETURN TO EQUESTRIA AND BRING WITH HER ETERNAL NIGHT!
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SOMETHING MUST BE DONE TO MAKE SURE THIS TERRIBLE PROPHECY DOES NOT COME TRUE!
I AWAIT YOUR QUICK RESPONSE.
YOUR FAITHFUL STUDENT, TWILIGHT SPARKLE.

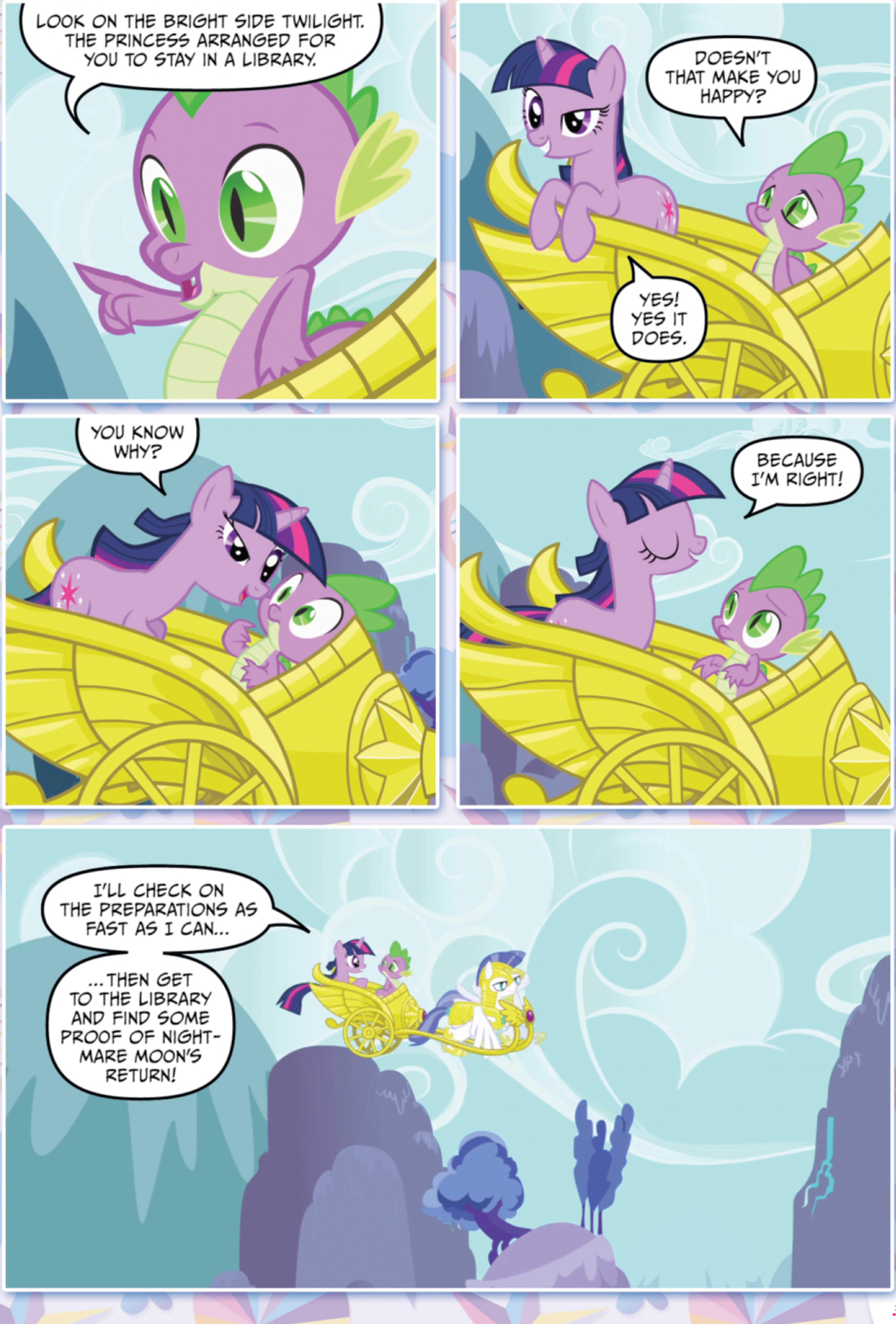

...TWIIIII LIIIGHT... SPARRRKLLLE...
GOT IT!
GREAT, SEND IT.
NOW?
OF COURSE!
I DON'T KNOW TWILIGHT. PRINCESS CELESTIA'S A LITTLE BUSY GETTING READY FOR THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION.
AND IT'S, LIKE, THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW!
THAT'S JUST IT, SPIKE.
THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW IS THE **THOUSANDTH YEAR** OF THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION!

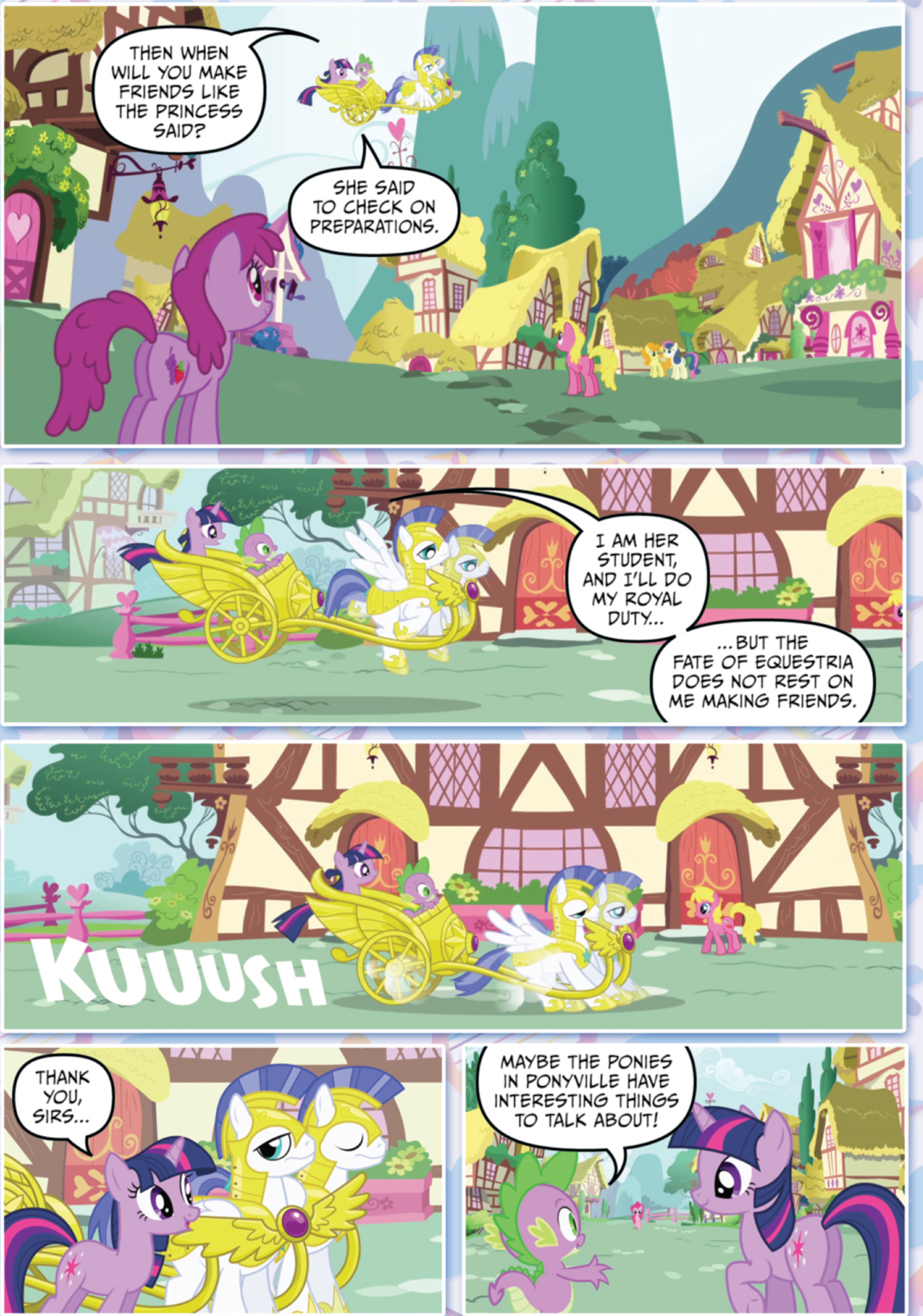

IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE PRINCESS IS TOLD RIGHT AWAY!
OKAY, OKAY!
SPIKE TAKES A DEEP BREATH...
...AND HIS DRAGON'S BREATH WORKS ITS MAGIC.
IT'S ON ITS WAY!
BUT I WOULDN'T HOLD YOUR BREATH.

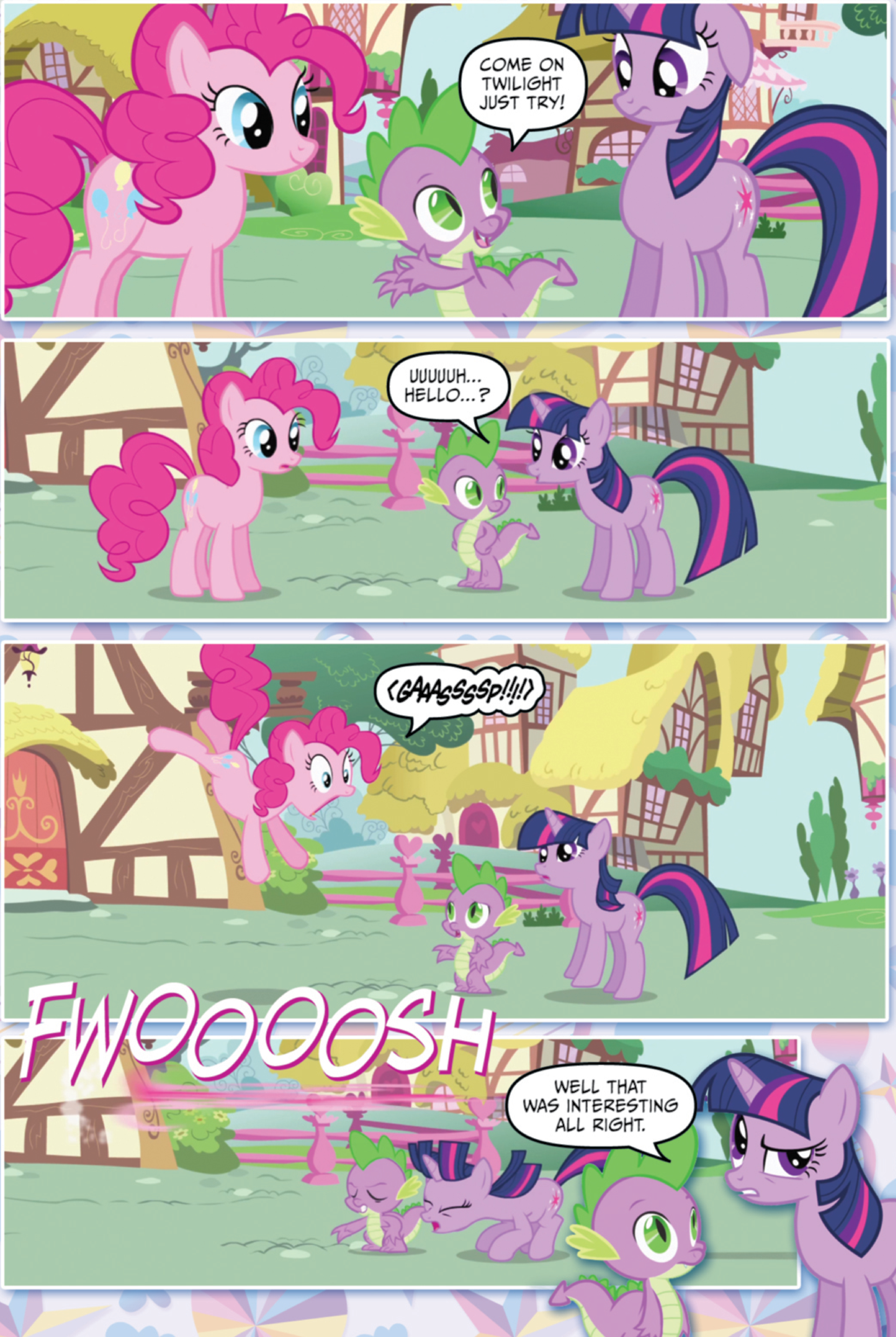

I'M NOT WORRIED SPIKE. THE PRINCESS TRUSTS ME COMPLETELY.
IN ALL THE YEARS SHE'S BEEN MY MENTOR, SHE'S NEVER ONCE DOUBTED ME!
ULP!
BEEELCH
POOF

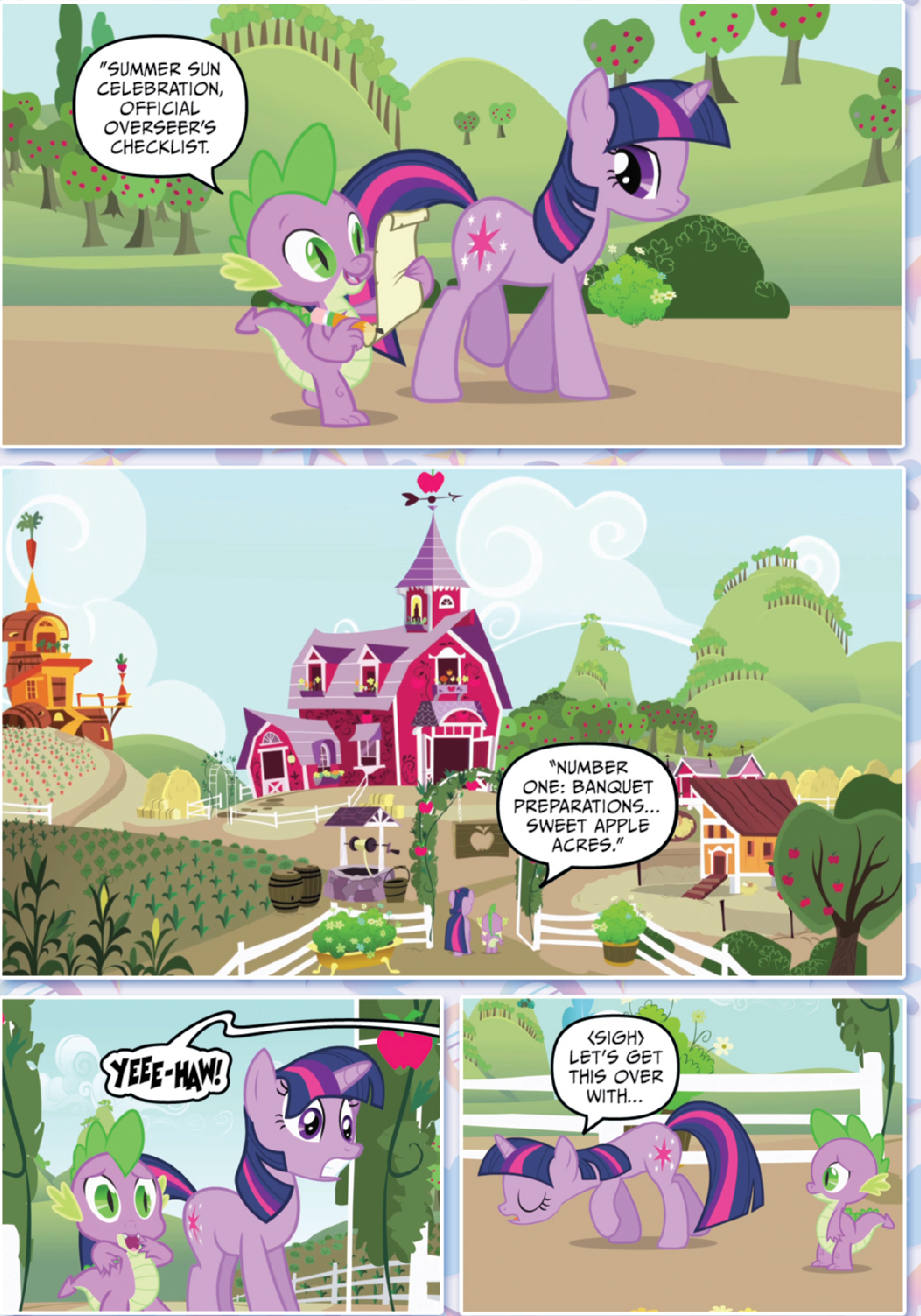

I KNEW SHE WOULD WANT TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION!
"MY DEAREST, MOST FAITHFUL STUDENT TWILIGHT...
"...YOU KNOW THAT I VALUE YOUR DILIGENCE AND THAT I TRUST YOU COMPLETELY.
HM, HMH.
"BUT YOU SIMPLY MUST STOP READING THOSE DUSTY OLD BOOKS."
GASP!

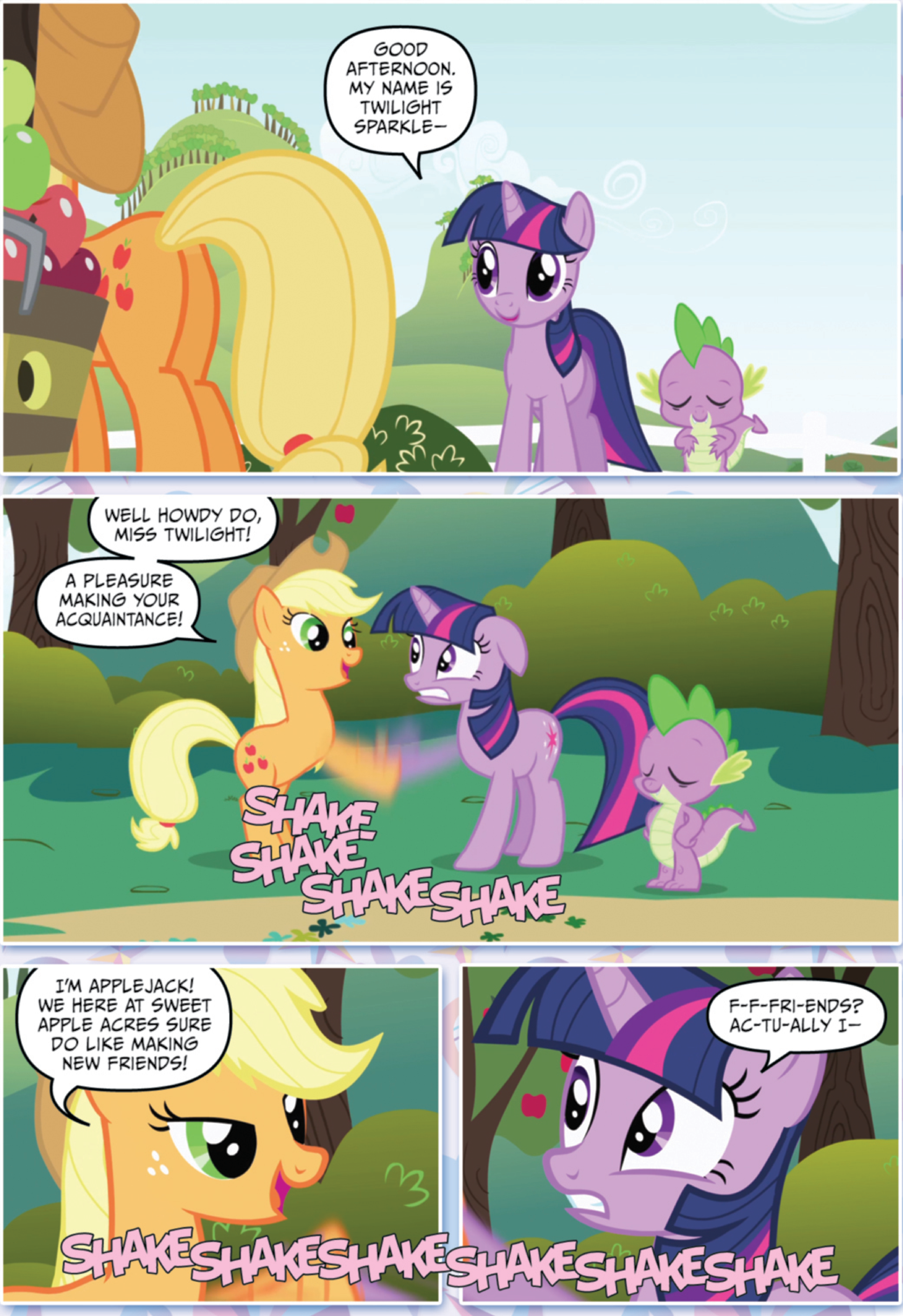

FOLLOWING PRINCESS CELESTIA'S INSTRUCTIONS, TWILIGHT SPARKLE AND SPIKE ARE ON THE MOVE.
"...MY DEAR TWILIGHT, THERE IS MORE TO A YOUNG PONY'S LIFE THAN STUDYING.
"SO I'M SENDING YOU TO SUPERVISE THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION IN THIS YEAR'S LOCATION...
"...PONYVILLE!
"AND I HAVE AN EVEN MORE ESSENTIAL TASK FOR YOU TO COMPLETE...
"...MAKE SOME FRIENDS."
‹GRRROOOOAAN...›

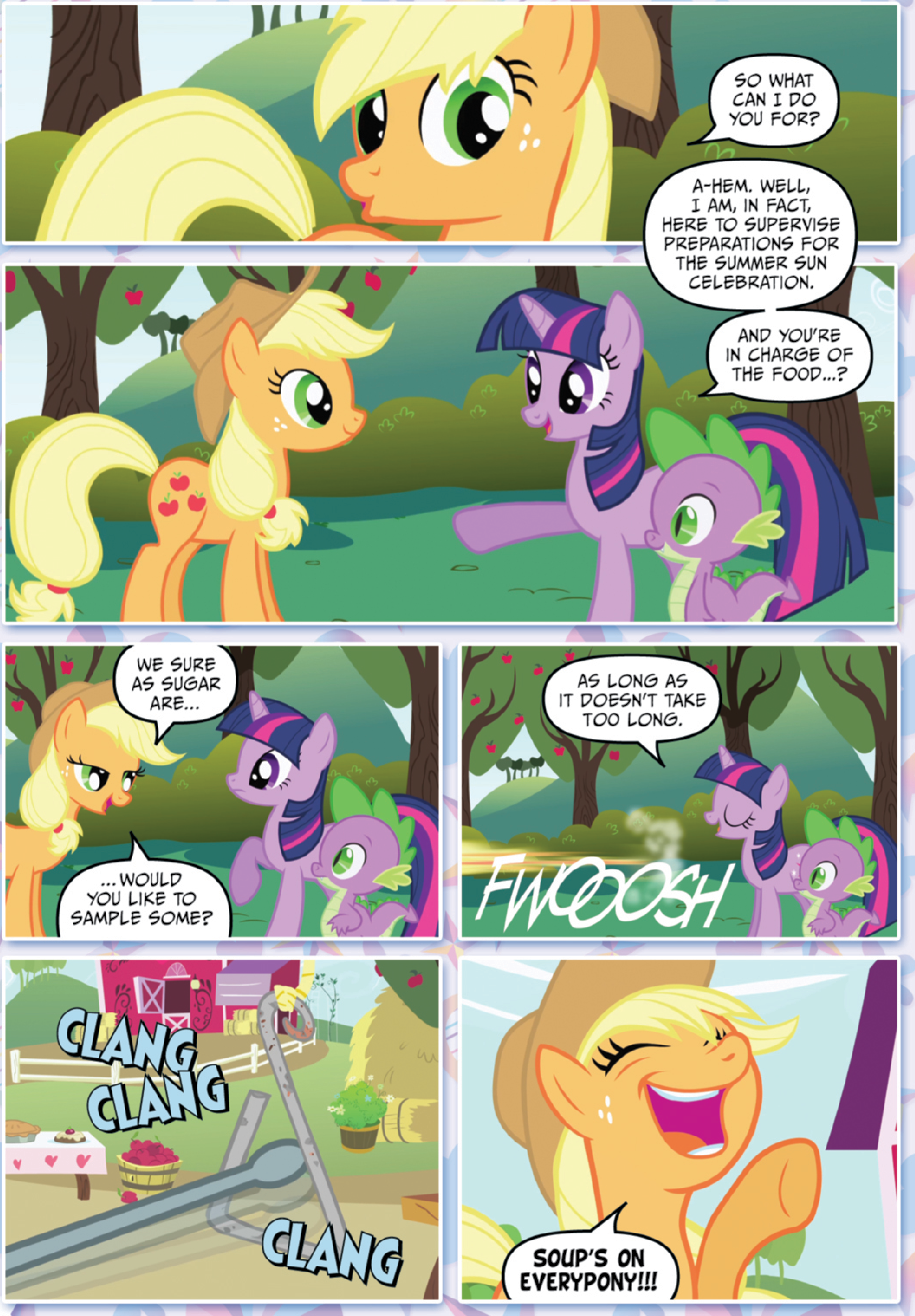

LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE TWILIGHT. THE PRINCESS ARRANGED FOR YOU TO STAY IN A LIBRARY.
DOESN'T THAT MAKE YOU HAPPY?
YES! YES IT DOES.
YOU KNOW WHY?
BECAUSE I'M RIGHT!
I'LL CHECK ON THE PREPARATIONS AS FAST AS I CAN...
...THEN GET TO THE LIBRARY AND FIND SOME PROOF OF NIGHTMARE MOON'S RETURN!

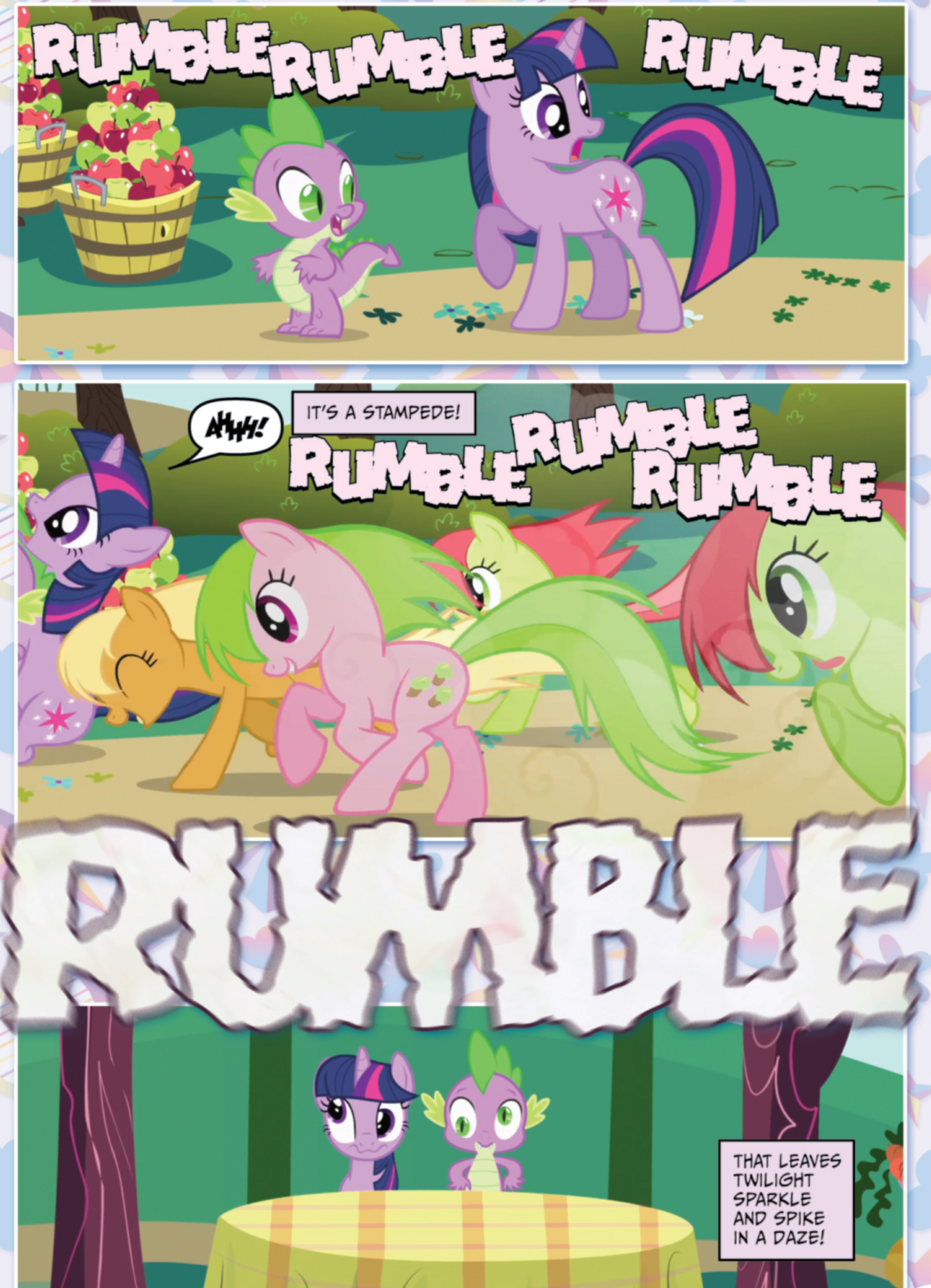

THEN WHEN WILL YOU MAKE FRIENDS LIKE THE PRINCESS SAID?
SHE SAID TO CHECK ON PREPARATIONS.
I AM HER STUDENT, AND I'LL DO MY ROYAL DUTY...
...BUT THE FATE OF EQUESTRIA DOES NOT REST ON ME MAKING FRIENDS.
KUUUSH
THANK YOU, SIRS...
MAYBE THE PONIES IN PONYVILLE HAVE INTERESTING THINGS TO TALK ABOUT!

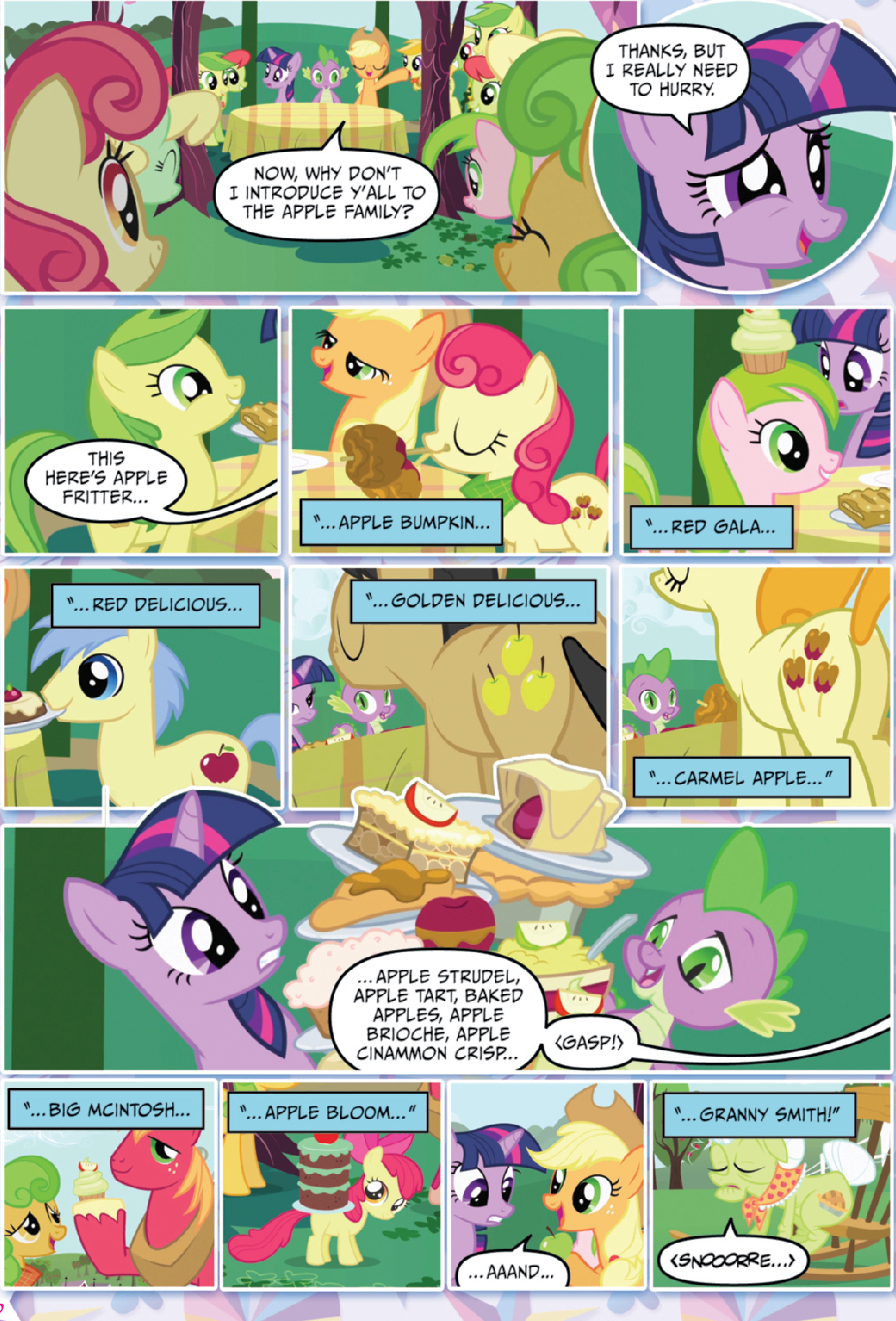

COME ON TWILIGHT JUST TRY!
UUUUUH... HELLO...?
‹GAAASSSSP!!!!›
FWOOOOSH
WELL THAT WAS INTERESTING ALL RIGHT.

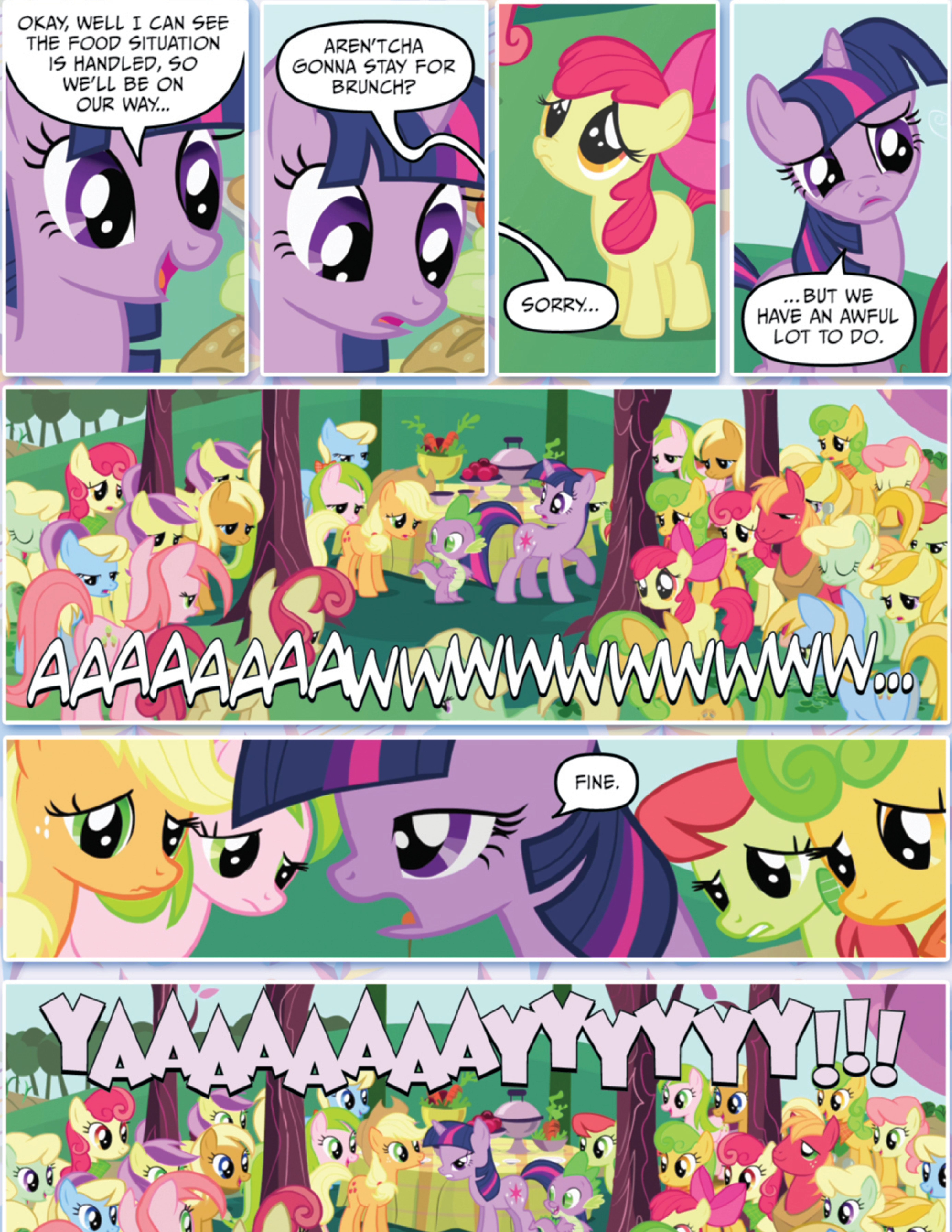

"SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION, OFFICIAL OVERSEER'S CHECKLIST.
"NUMBER ONE: BANQUET PREPARATIONS... SWEET APPLE ACRES."
YEEE-HAW!
‹SIGH› LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH...

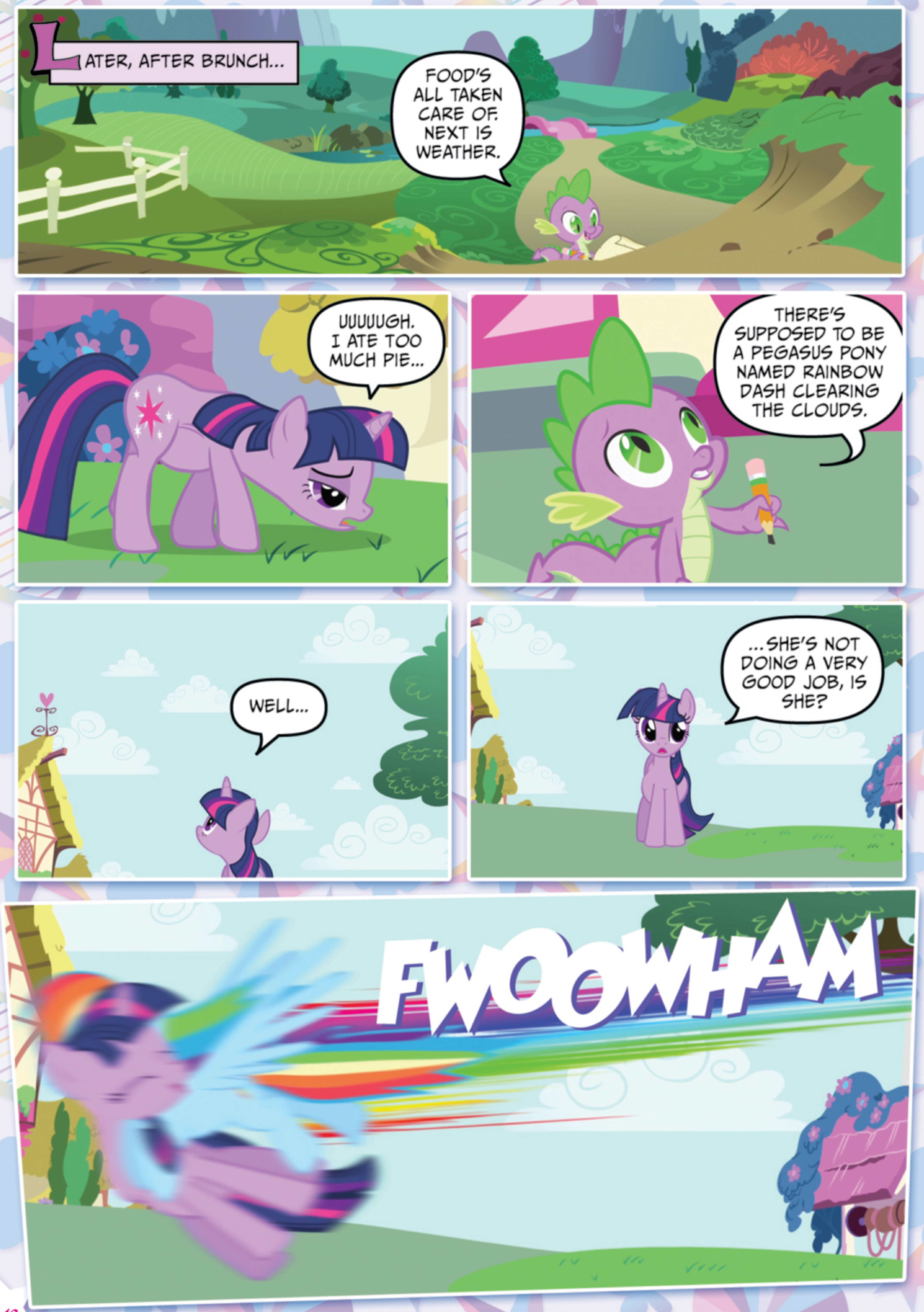

GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TWILIGHT SPARKLE—
WELL HOWDY DO, MISS TWILIGHT!
A PLEASURE MAKING YOUR ACQUAINTANCE!
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKESHAKE
I'M APPLEJACK! WE HERE AT SWEET APPLE ACRES SURE DO LIKE MAKING NEW FRIENDS!
F-F-FRI-ENDS? AC-TU-ALLY I—
SHAKESHAKESHAKESHAKESHAKESHAKE

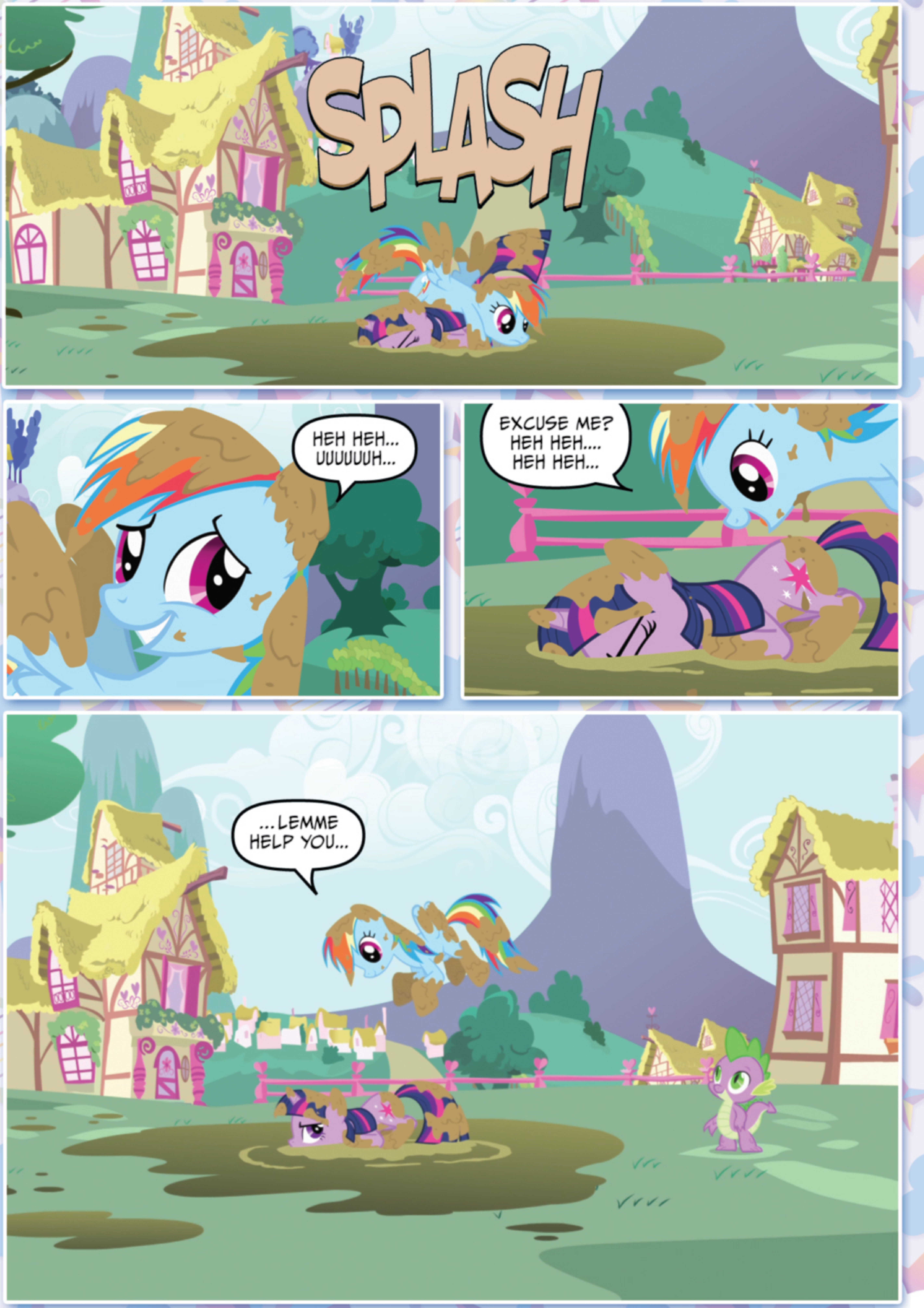

SO WHAT CAN I DO YOU FOR?
A-HEM. WELL, I AM, IN FACT, HERE TO SUPERVISE PREPARATIONS FOR THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION.
AND YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF THE FOOD...?
WE SURE AS SUGAR ARE...
...WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAMPLE SOME?
AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T TAKE TOO LONG.
FWOOOSH
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
SOUP'S ON EVERYPONY!!!

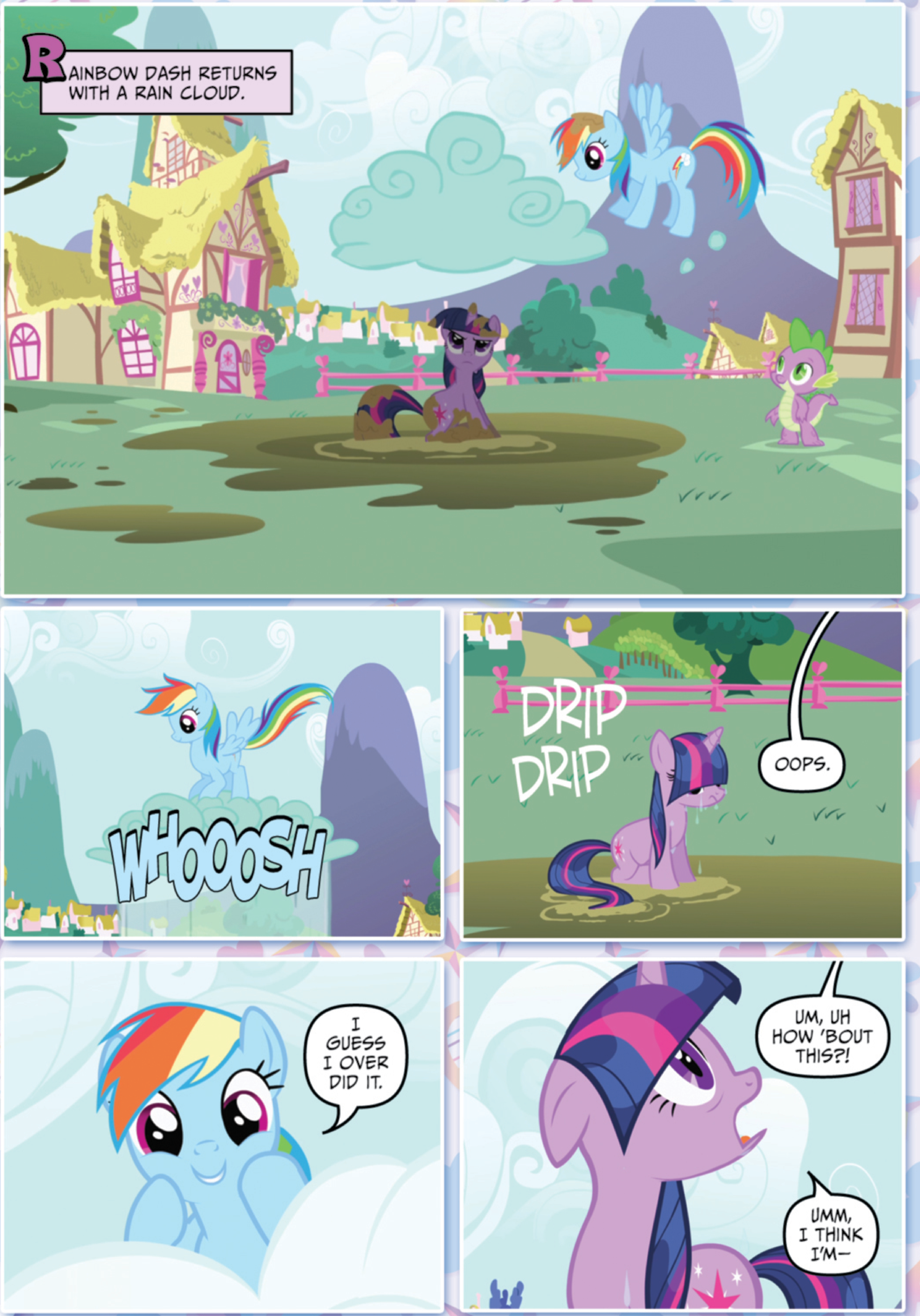

RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
AHHH!
IT'S A STAMPEDE!
RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
RUMBLE
THAT LEAVES TWILIGHT SPARKLE AND SPIKE IN A DAZE!

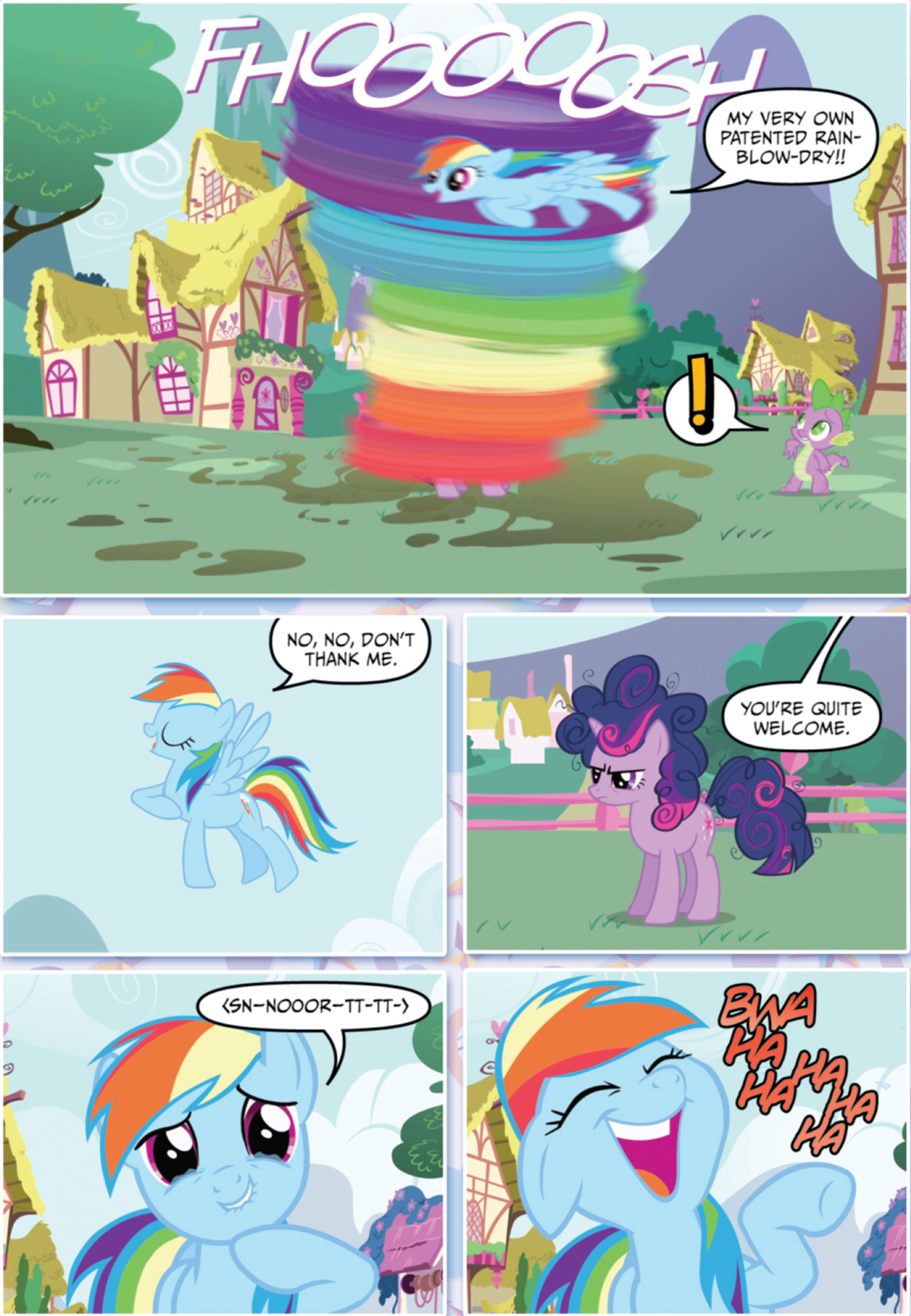

NOW, WHY DON'T I INTRODUCE Y'ALL TO THE APPLE FAMILY?
THANKS, BUT I REALLY NEED TO HURRY.
THIS HERE'S APPLE FRITTER...
"...APPLE BUMPKIN...
"...RED GALA...
"...RED DELICIOUS...
"...GOLDEN DELICIOUS...
"...CARMEL APPLE..."
...APPLE STRUDEL, APPLE TART, BAKED APPLES, APPLE BRIOCHE, APPLE CINAMMON CRISP...
‹GASP!›
"...BIG MCINTOSH...
"...APPLE BLOOM..."
...AAAND...
"...GRANNY SMITH!"
‹SNOOORRE...›

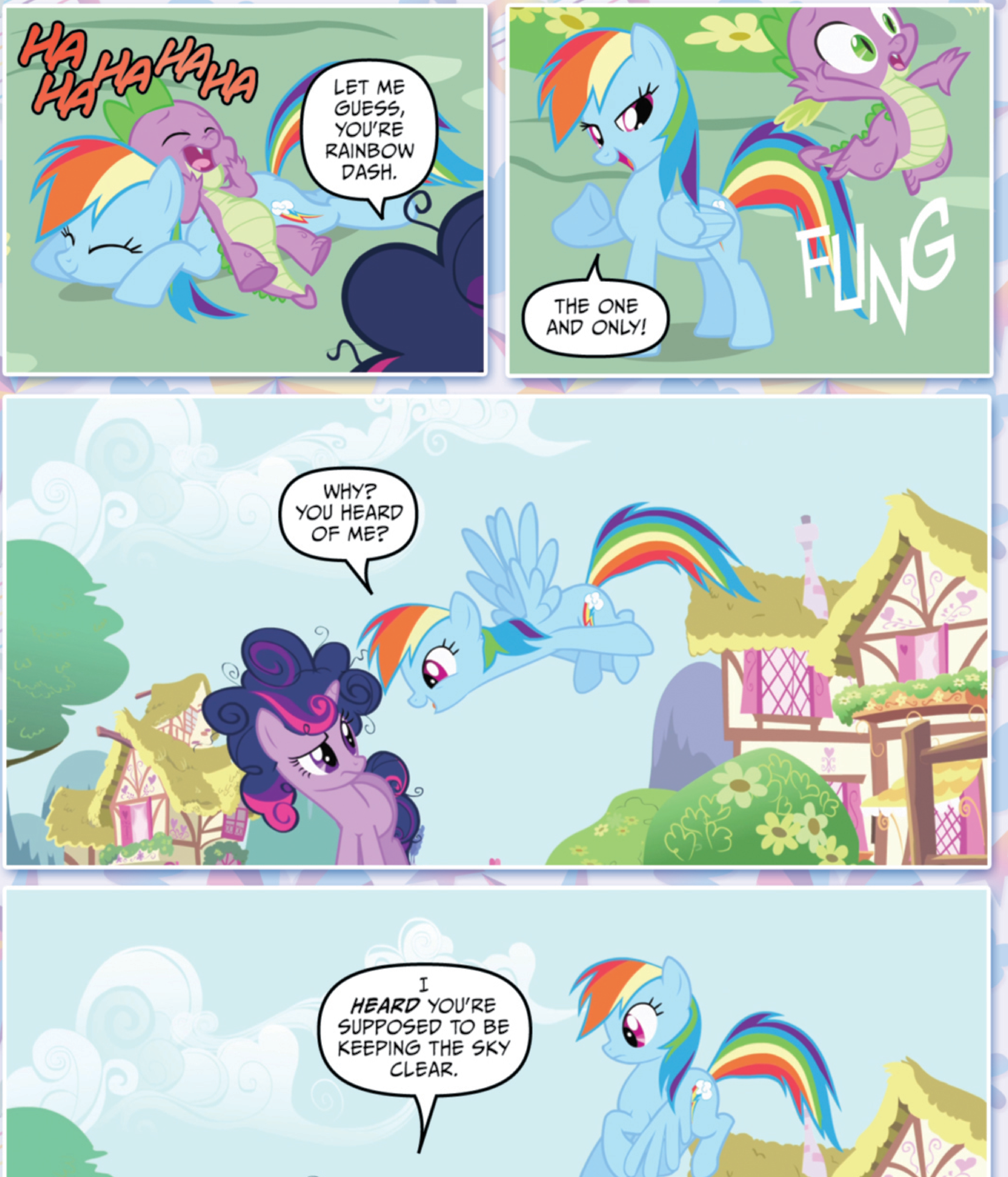

OKAY, WELL I CAN SEE THE FOOD SITUATION IS HANDLED, SO WE'LL BE ON OUR WAY...
AREN'TCHA GONNA STAY FOR BRUNCH?
SORRY...
...BUT WE HAVE AN AWFUL LOT TO DO.
AAAAAAAAWWWWWWWWWW...
FINE.
YAAAAAAAAYYYYYY!!!

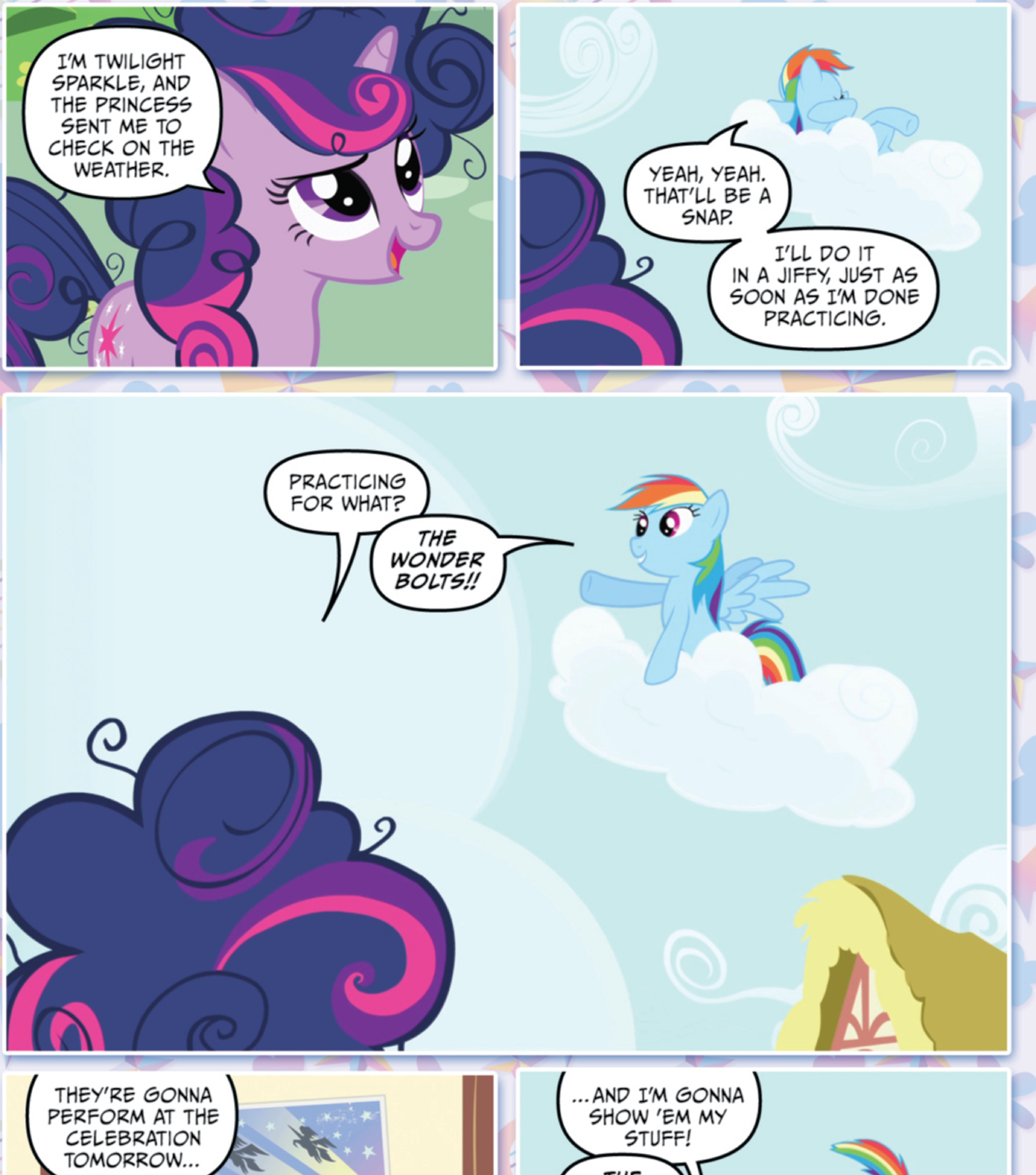

LATER, AFTER BRUNCH...
FOOD'S ALL TAKEN CARE OF. NEXT IS WEATHER.
UUUUUGH. I ATE TOO MUCH PIE...
THERE'S SUPPOSED TO BE A PEGASUS PONY NAMED RAINBOW DASH CLEARING THE CLOUDS.
WELL...
...SHE'S NOT DOING A VERY GOOD JOB, IS SHE?
FWOOWHAM

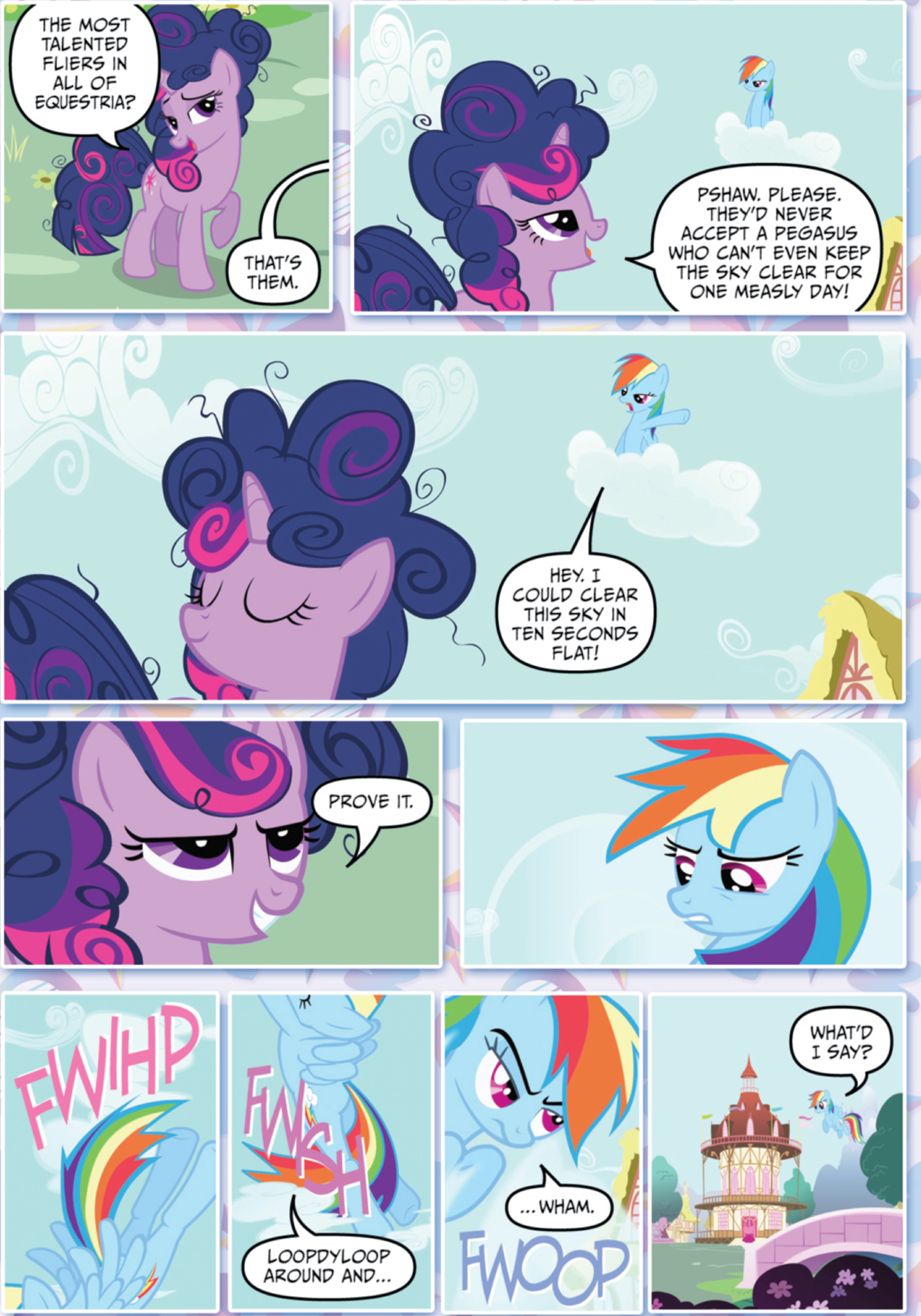

SPLASH
HEH HEH... UUUUUUH...
EXCUSE ME? HEH HEH.... HEH HEH...
...LEMME HELP YOU...

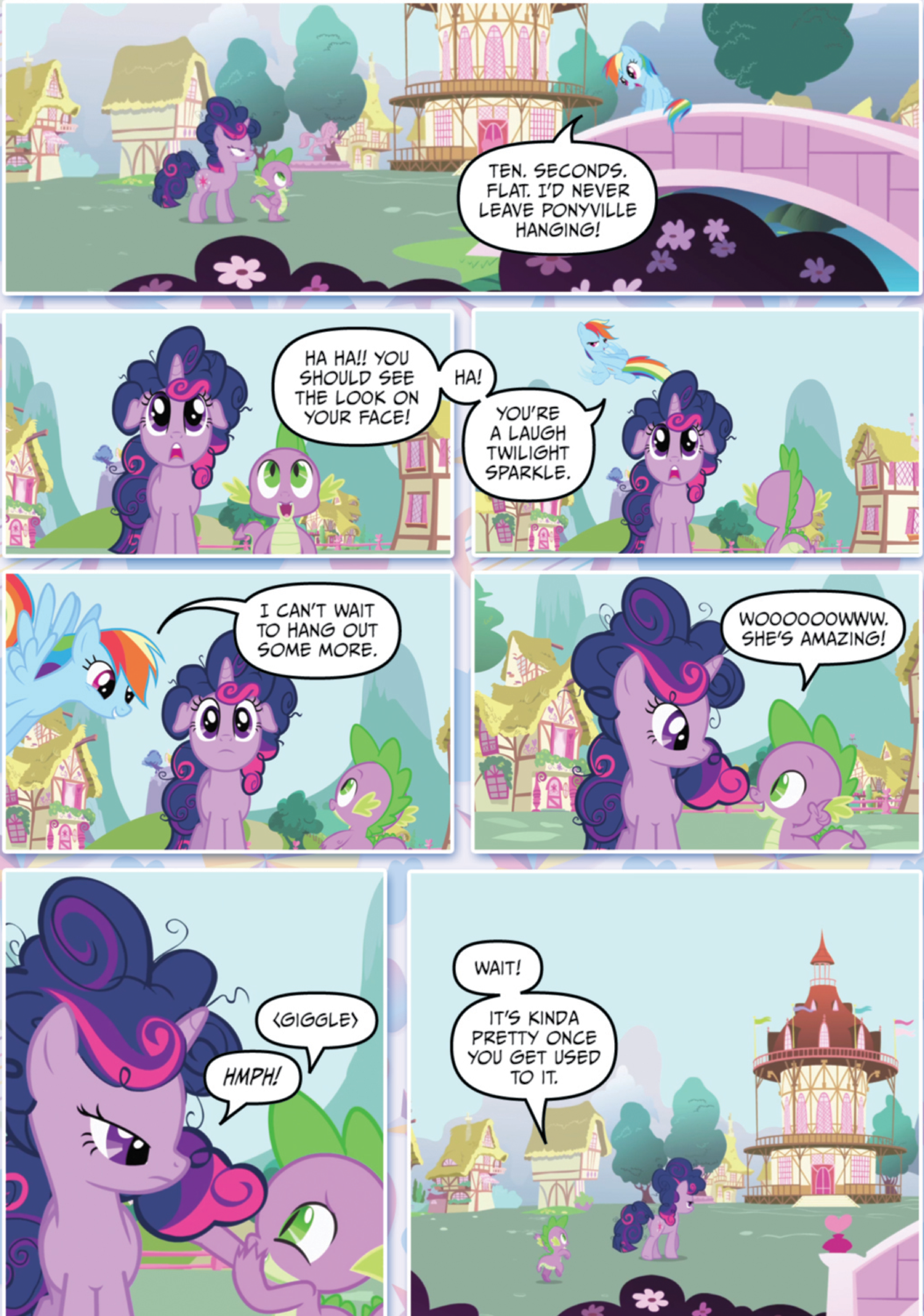

RAINBOW DASH RETURNS WITH A RAIN CLOUD.
WHOOOSH
DRIP DRIP
OOPS.
I GUESS I OVER DID IT.
UM, UH HOW 'BOUT THIS?!
UMM, I THINK I'M—

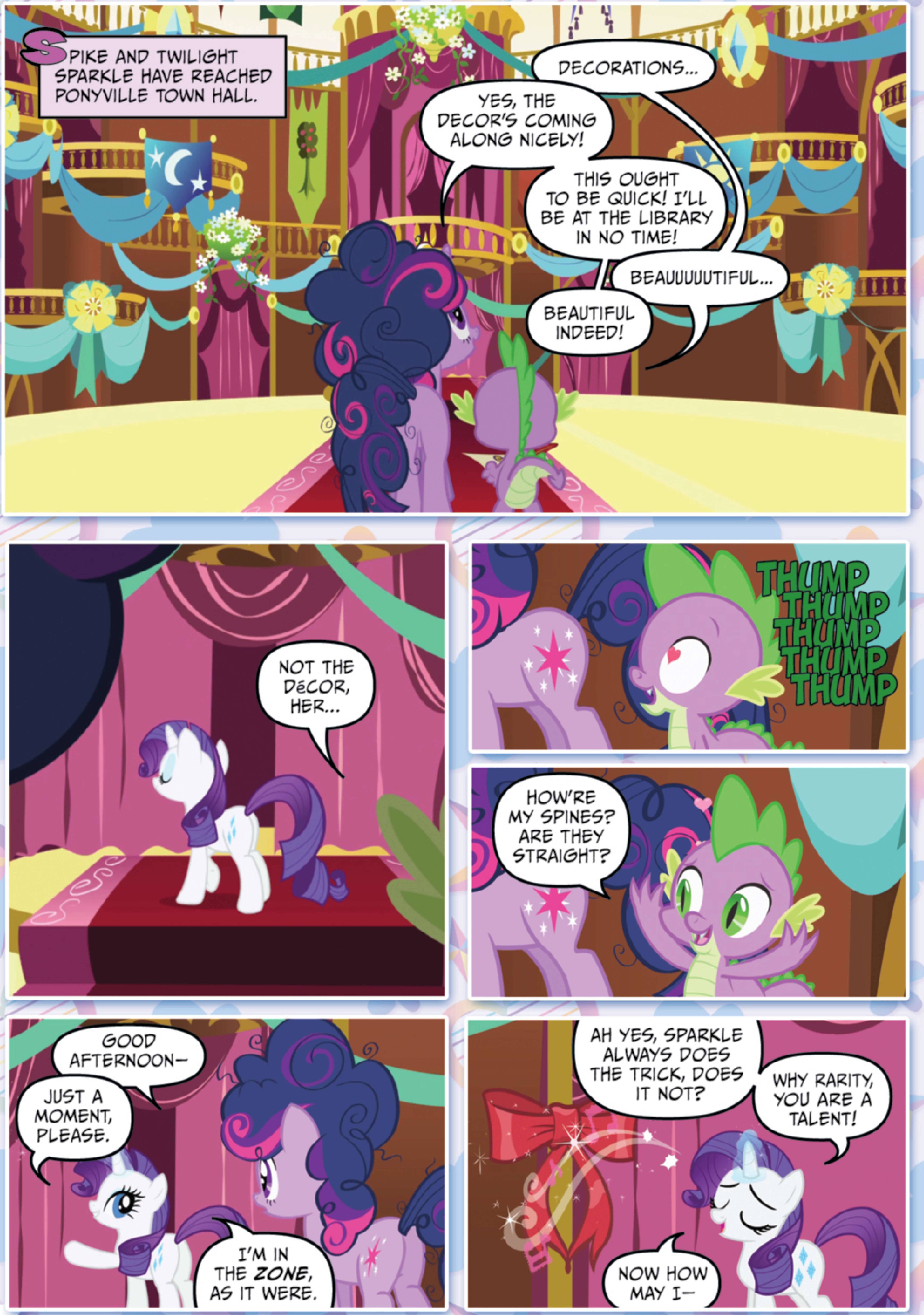

FHOOOOOOSH
MY VERY OWN PATENTED RAIN-BLOW-DRY!!
!
NO, NO, DON'T THANK ME.
YOU'RE QUITE WELCOME.
‹SN–NOOOR–TT–TT–›
BWA HA HA HA HA HA HA

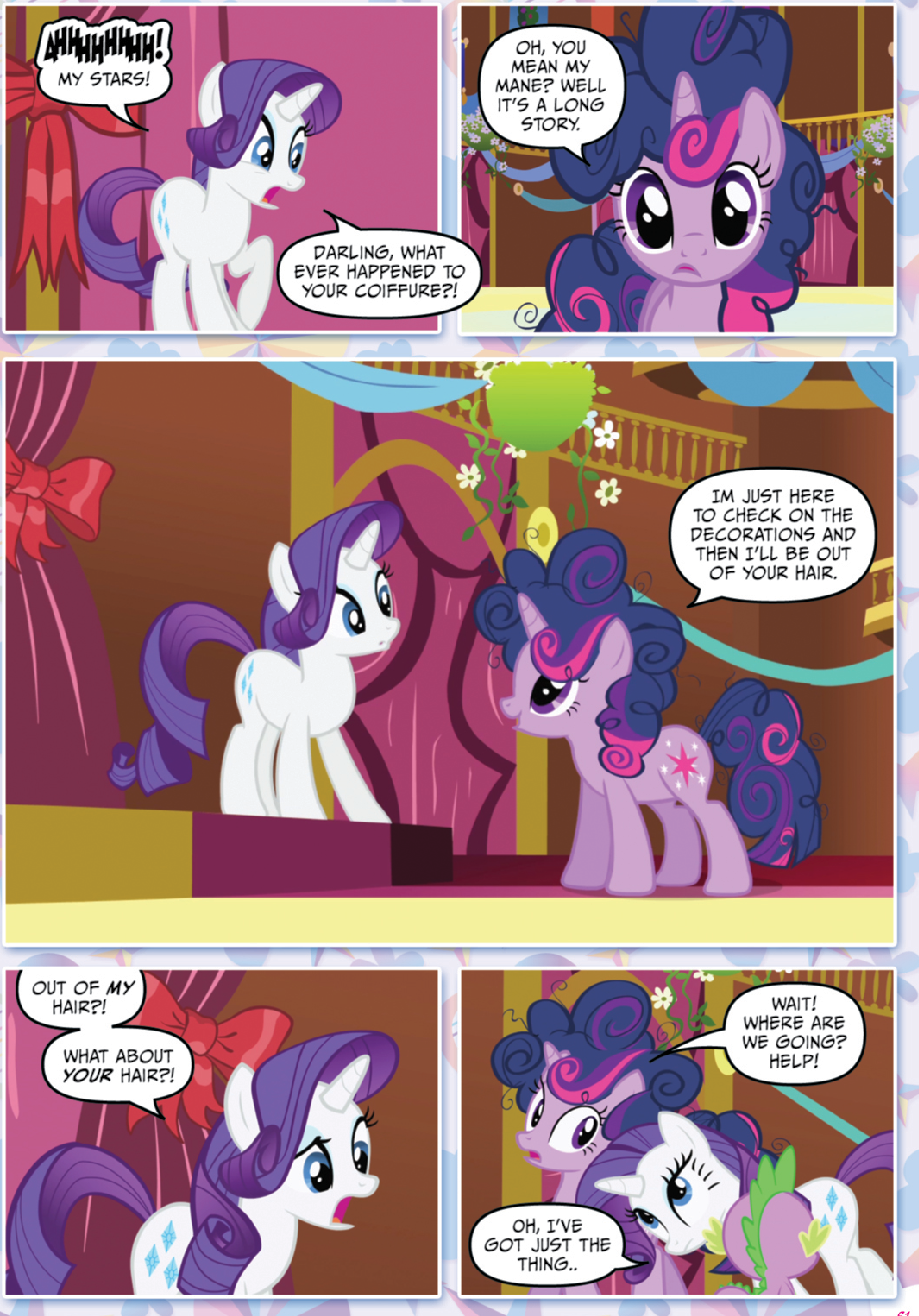

HA HA HA HA HA HA
LET ME GUESS, YOU'RE RAINBOW DASH.
THE ONE AND ONLY!
FLING
WHY? YOU HEARD OF ME?
I *HEARD* YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE KEEPING THE SKY CLEAR.

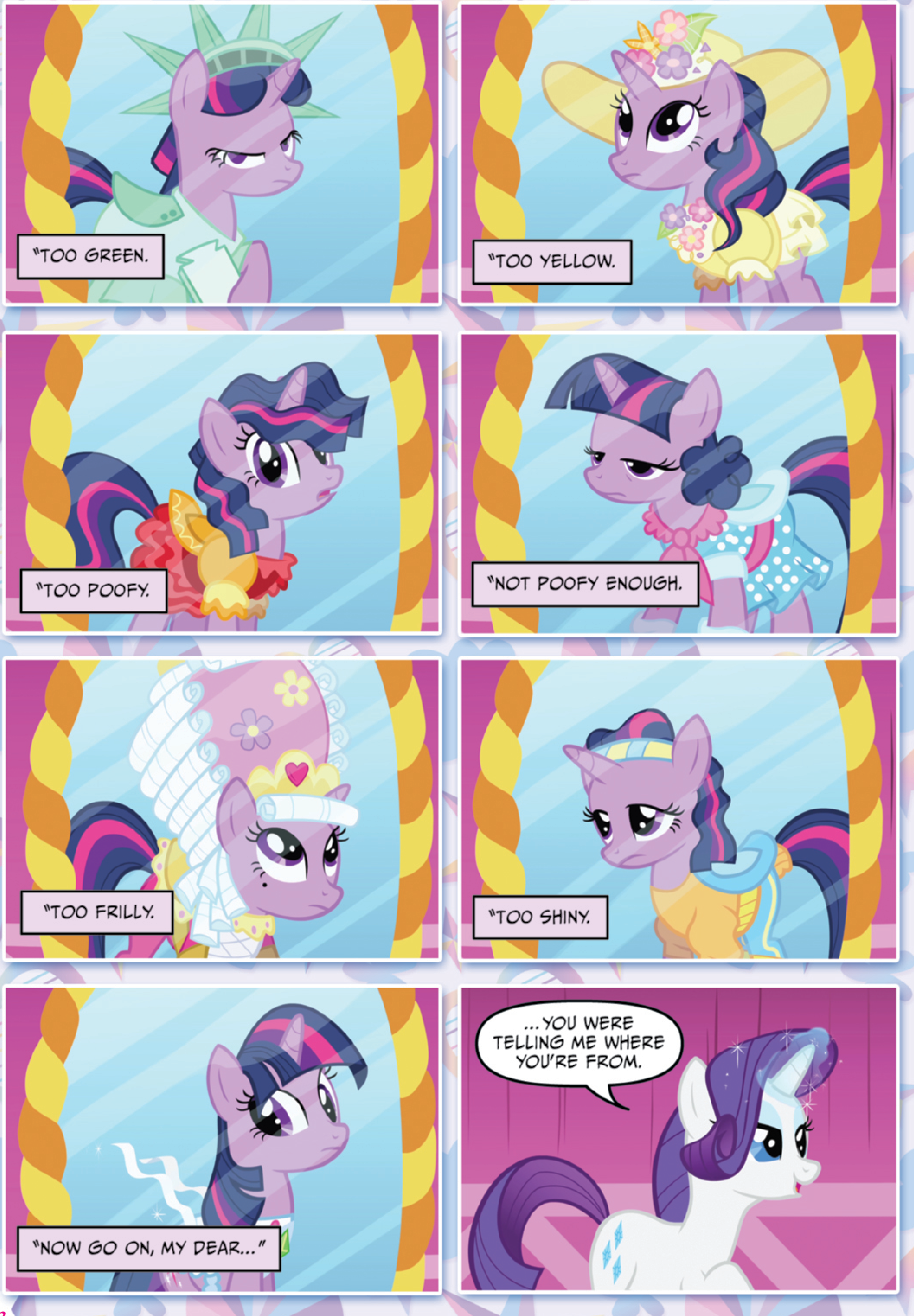

I'M TWILIGHT SPARKLE, AND THE PRINCESS SENT ME TO CHECK ON THE WEATHER.
YEAH, YEAH. THAT'LL BE A SNAP.
I'LL DO IT IN A JIFFY, JUST AS SOON AS I'M DONE PRACTICING.
PRACTICING FOR WHAT?
THE WONDER BOLTS!!
THEY'RE GONNA PERFORM AT THE CELEBRATION TOMORROW...
...AND I'M GONNA SHOW 'EM MY STUFF!
THE WONDER BOLTS?
YUP.

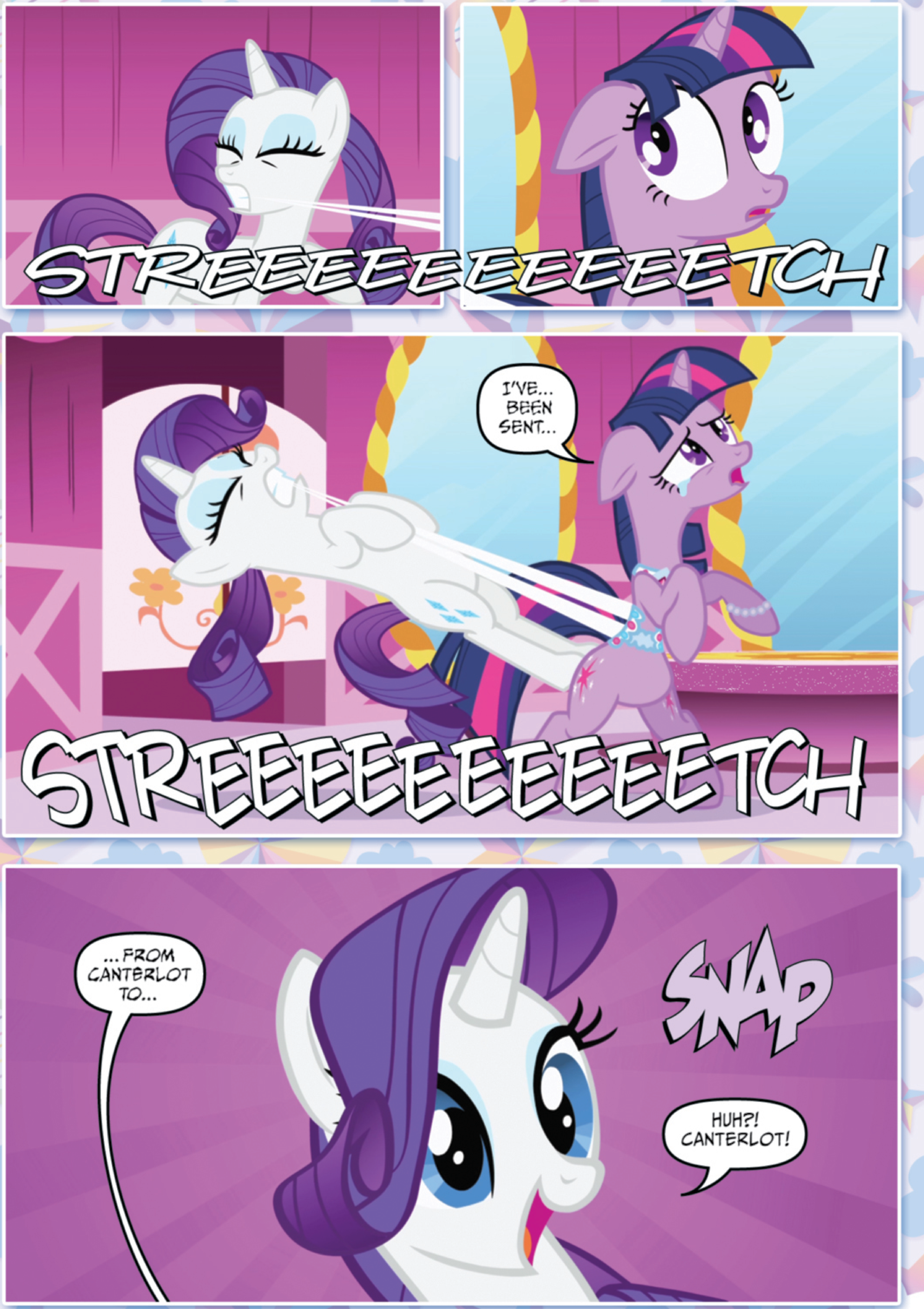

THE MOST TALENTED FLIERS IN ALL OF EQUESTRIA?
THAT'S THEM.
PSHAW. PLEASE. THEY'D NEVER ACCEPT A PEGASUS WHO CAN'T EVEN KEEP THE SKY CLEAR FOR ONE MEASLY DAY!
HEY. I COULD CLEAR THIS SKY IN TEN SECONDS FLAT!
PROVE IT.
FWIHP
FWISH
LOOPDYLOOP AROUND AND...
...WHAM.
FWOOP
WHAT'D I SAY?

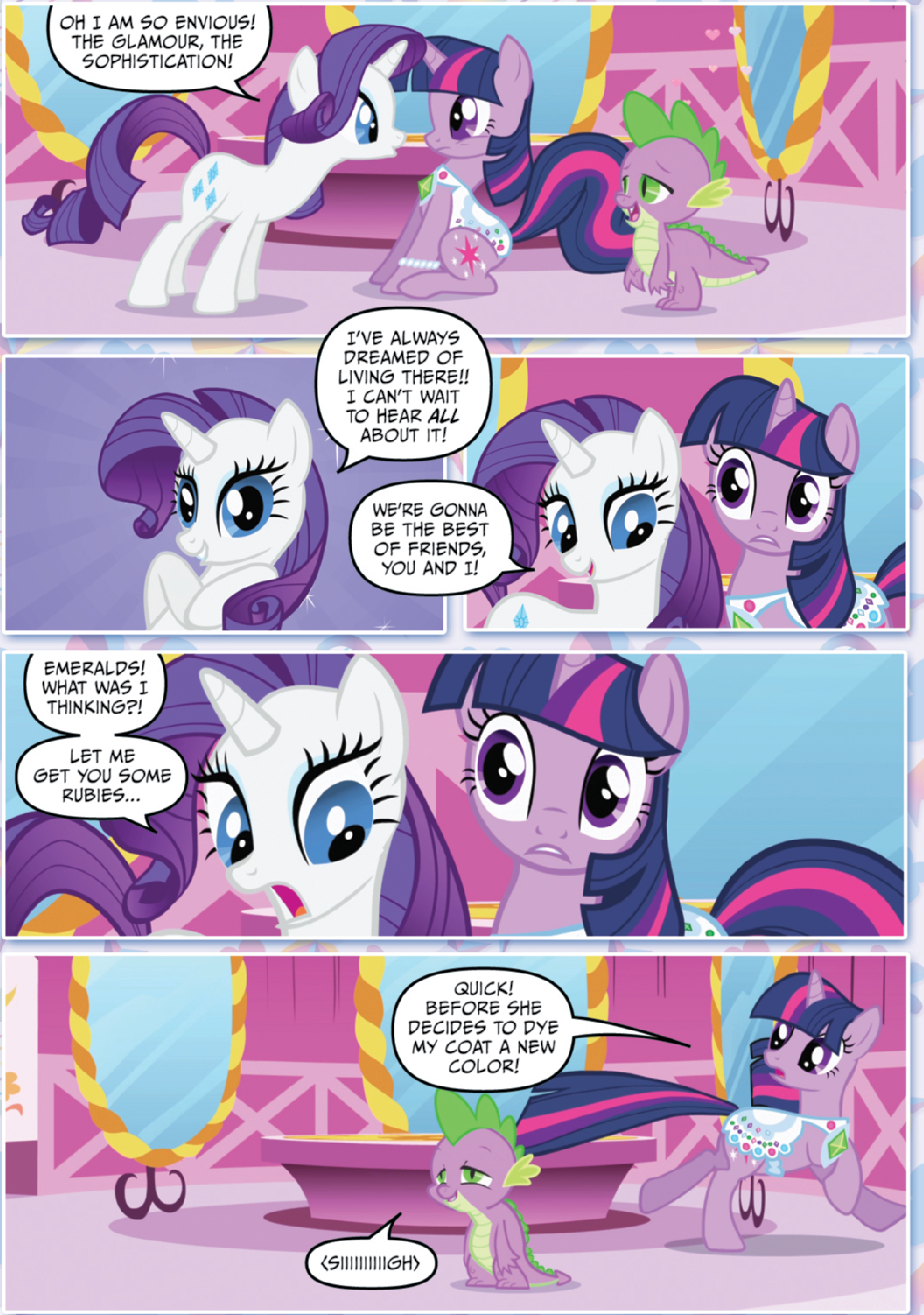

TEN. SECONDS. FLAT. I'D NEVER LEAVE PONYVILLE HANGING!
HA HA!! YOU SHOULD SEE THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE!
HA!
YOU'RE A LAUGH TWILIGHT SPARKLE.
I CAN'T WAIT TO HANG OUT SOME MORE.
WOOOOOOWWW. SHE'S AMAZING!
‹GIGGLE›
HMPH!
WAIT!
IT'S KINDA PRETTY ONCE YOU GET USED TO IT.

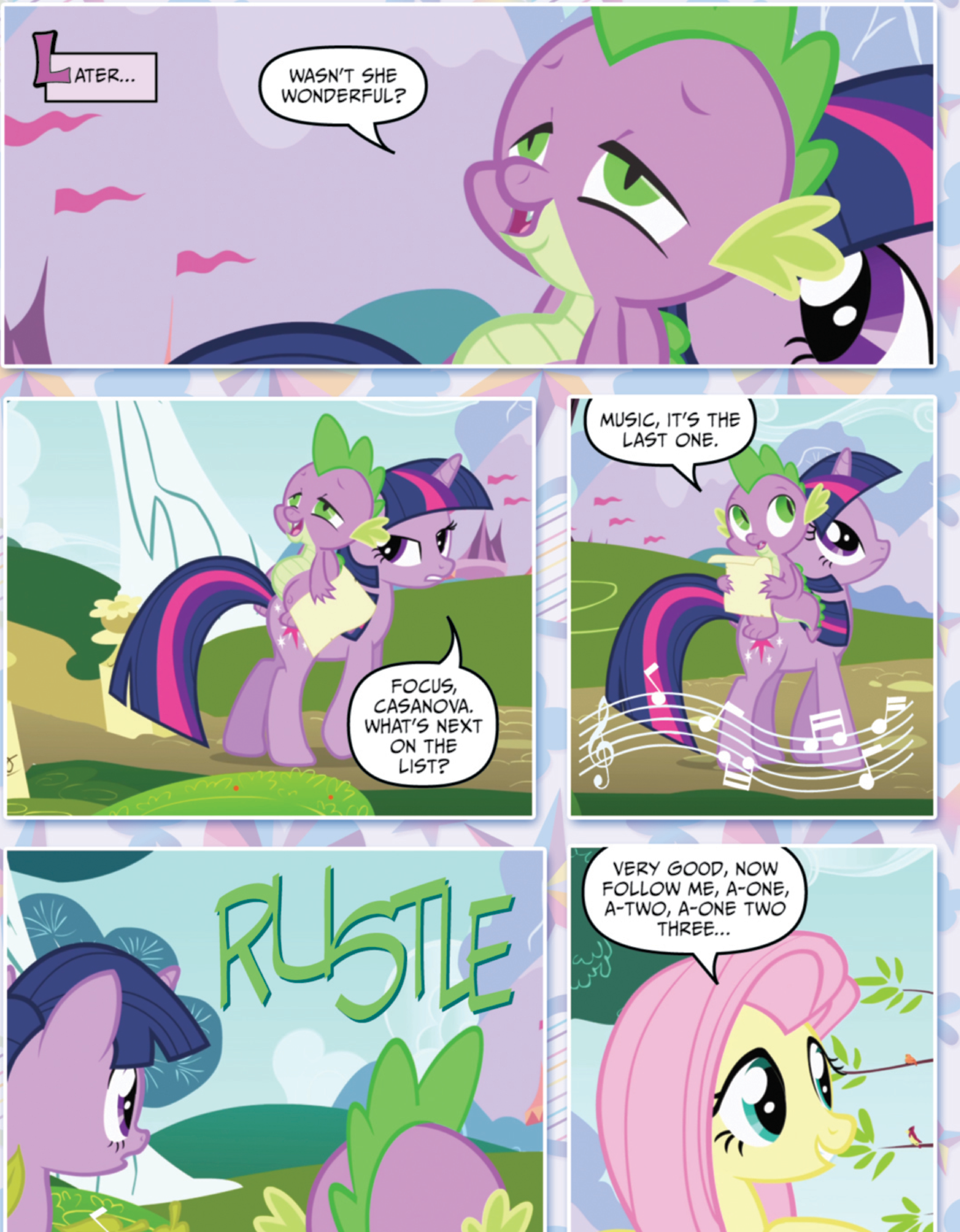

SPIKE AND TWILIGHT SPARKLE HAVE REACHED PONYVILLE TOWN HALL.
DECORATIONS...
YES, THE DECOR'S COMING ALONG NICELY!
THIS OUGHT TO BE QUICK! I'LL BE AT THE LIBRARY IN NO TIME!
BEAUUUUUTIFUL...
BEAUTIFUL INDEED!
NOT THE DéCOR, HER...
THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP
HOW'RE MY SPINES? ARE THEY STRAIGHT?
GOOD AFTERNOON—
JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE.
I'M IN THE *ZONE*, AS IT WERE.
AH YES, SPARKLE ALWAYS DOES THE TRICK, DOES IT NOT?
WHY RARITY, YOU ARE A TALENT!
NOW HOW MAY I—

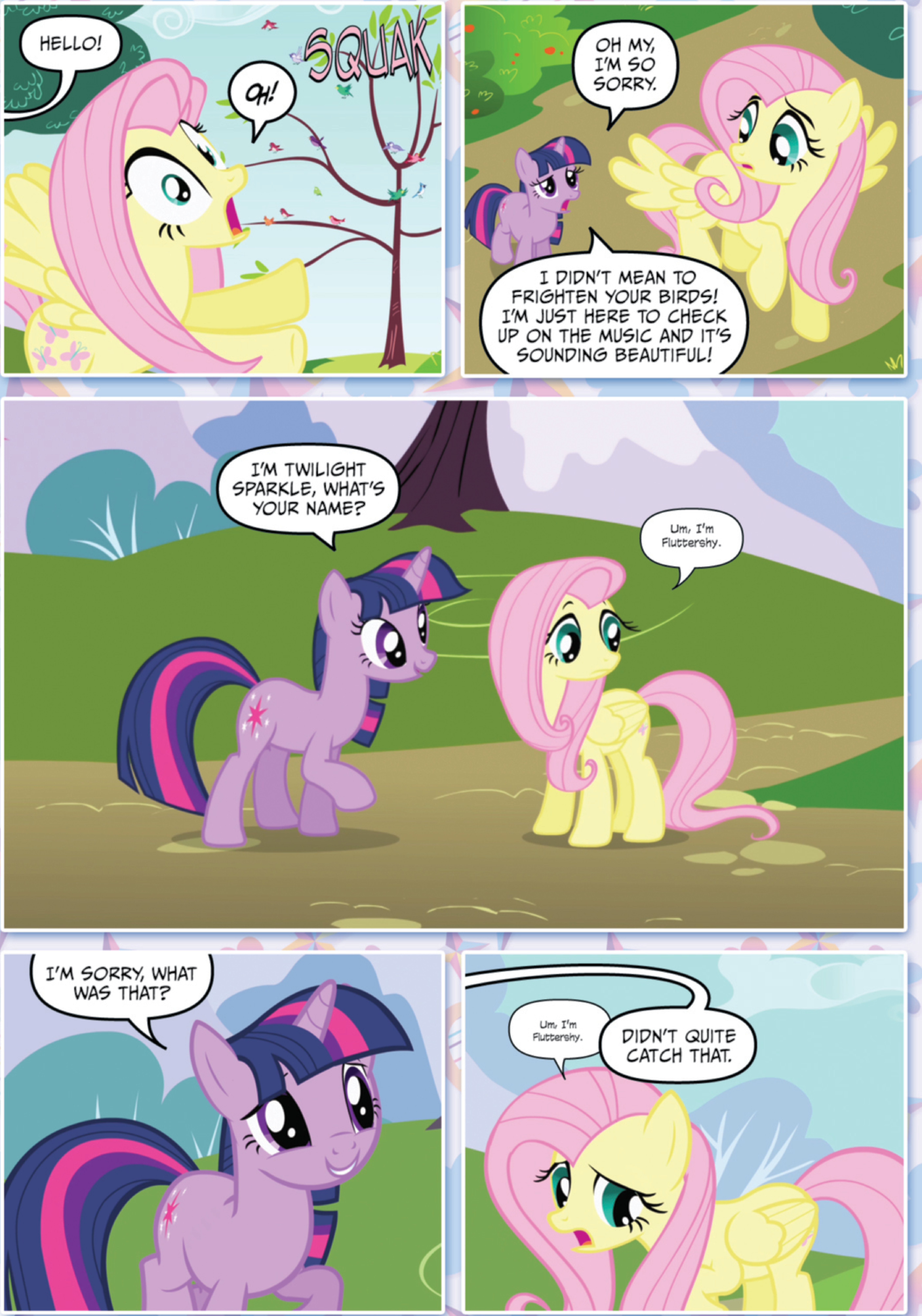

AHHHHHHH!
MY STARS!
DARLING, WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO YOUR COIFFURE?!
OH, YOU MEAN MY MANE? WELL IT'S A LONG STORY.
IM JUST HERE TO CHECK ON THE DECORATIONS AND THEN I'LL BE OUT OF YOUR HAIR.
OUT OF *MY* HAIR?!
WHAT ABOUT *YOUR* HAIR?!
WAIT! WHERE ARE WE GOING? HELP!
OH, I'VE GOT JUST THE THING..

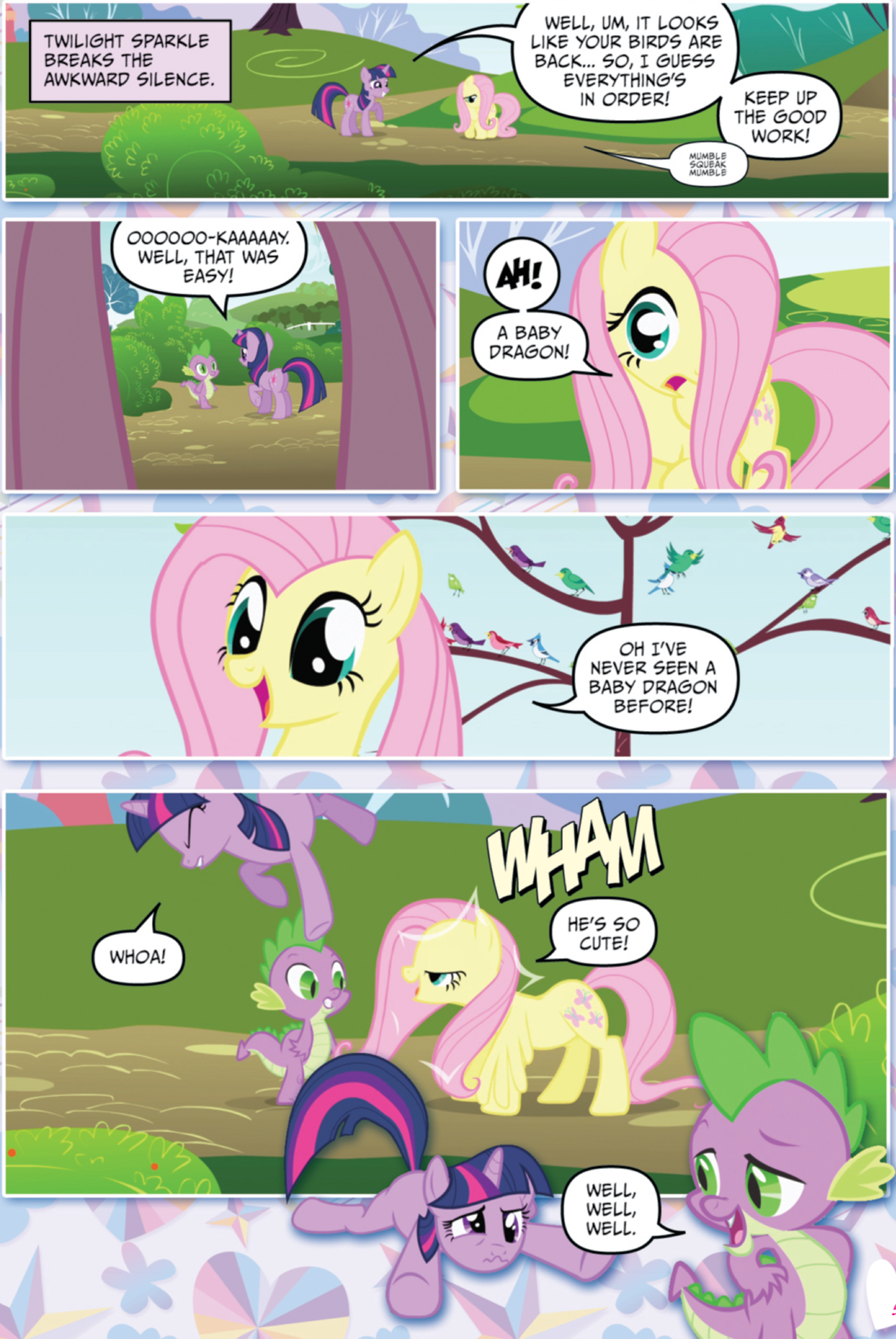

"TOO GREEN.
"TOO YELLOW.
"TOO POOFY.
"NOT POOFY ENOUGH.
"TOO FRILLY.
"TOO SHINY.
"NOW GO ON, MY DEAR..."
...YOU WERE TELLING ME WHERE YOU'RE FROM.

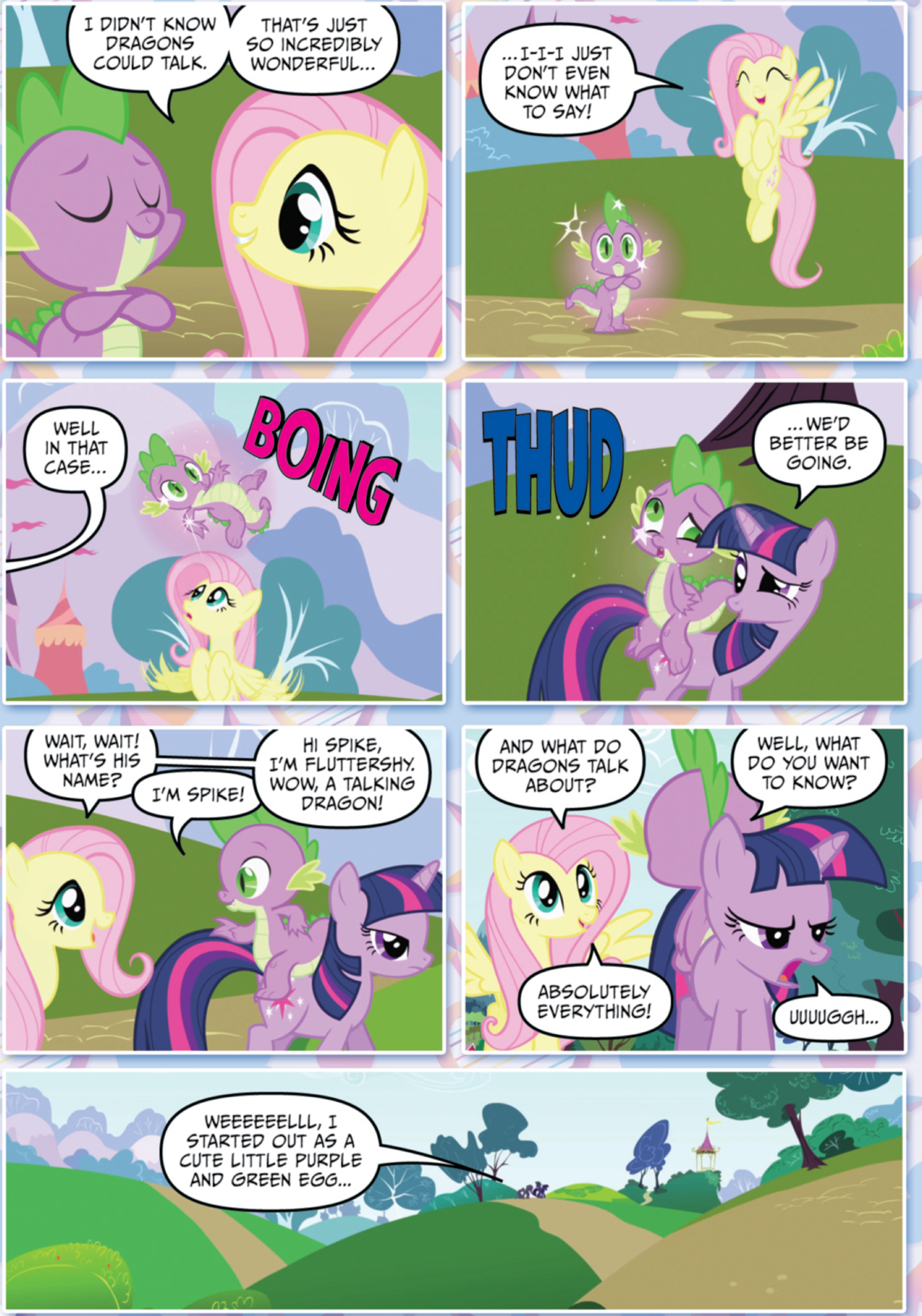

STREEEEEEEEEEEETCH
I'VE... BEEN SENT...
STREEEEEEEEEEETCH
...FROM CANTERLOT TO...
SNAP
HUH?! CANTERLOT!

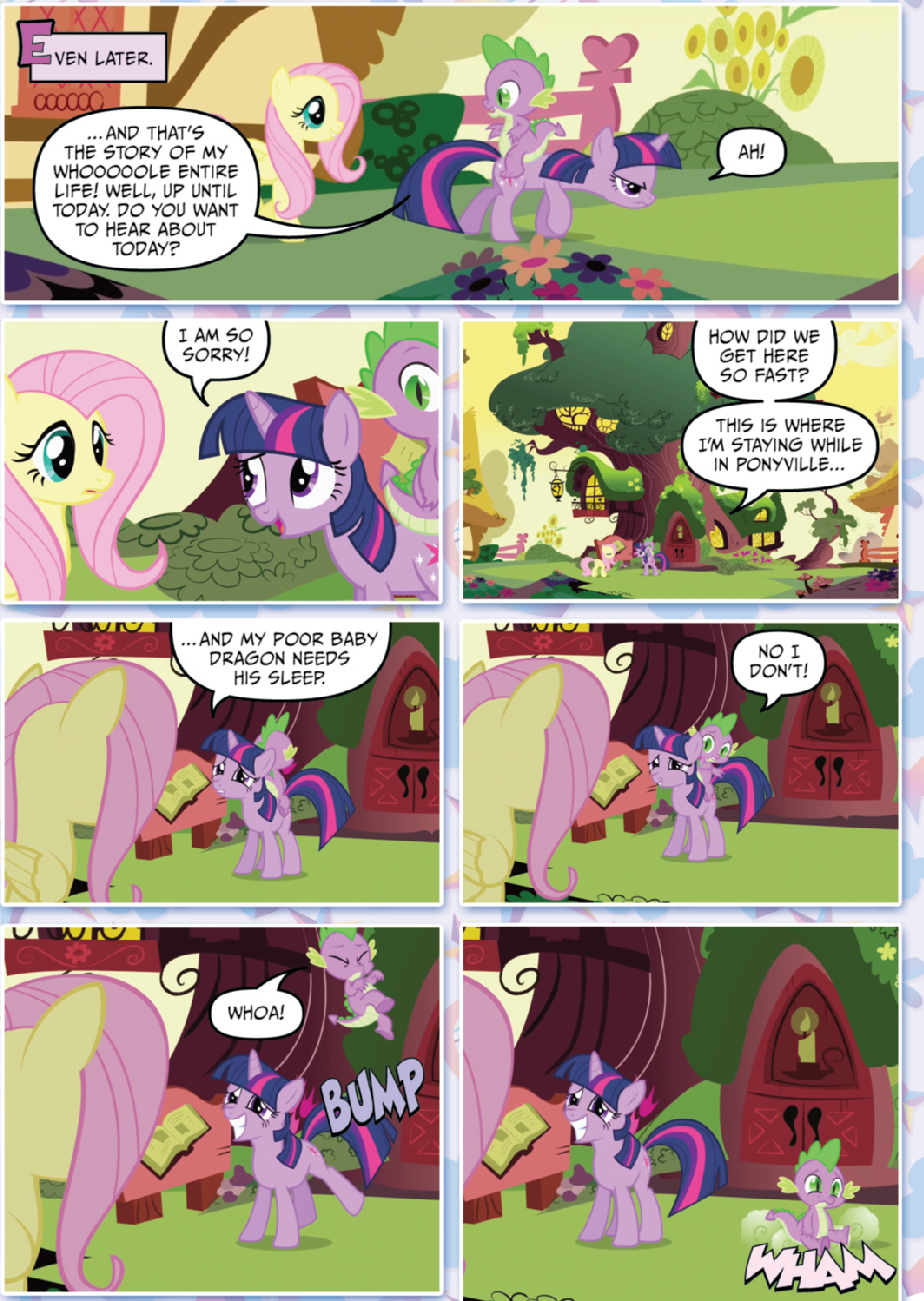

OH I AM SO ENVIOUS! THE GLAMOUR, THE SOPHISTICATION!
I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF LIVING THERE!! I CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR **ALL** ABOUT IT!
WE'RE GONNA BE THE BEST OF FRIENDS, YOU AND I!
EMERALDS! WHAT WAS I THINKING?!
LET ME GET YOU SOME RUBIES...
QUICK! BEFORE SHE DECIDES TO DYE MY COAT A NEW COLOR!
‹SIIIIIIIIIIGH›

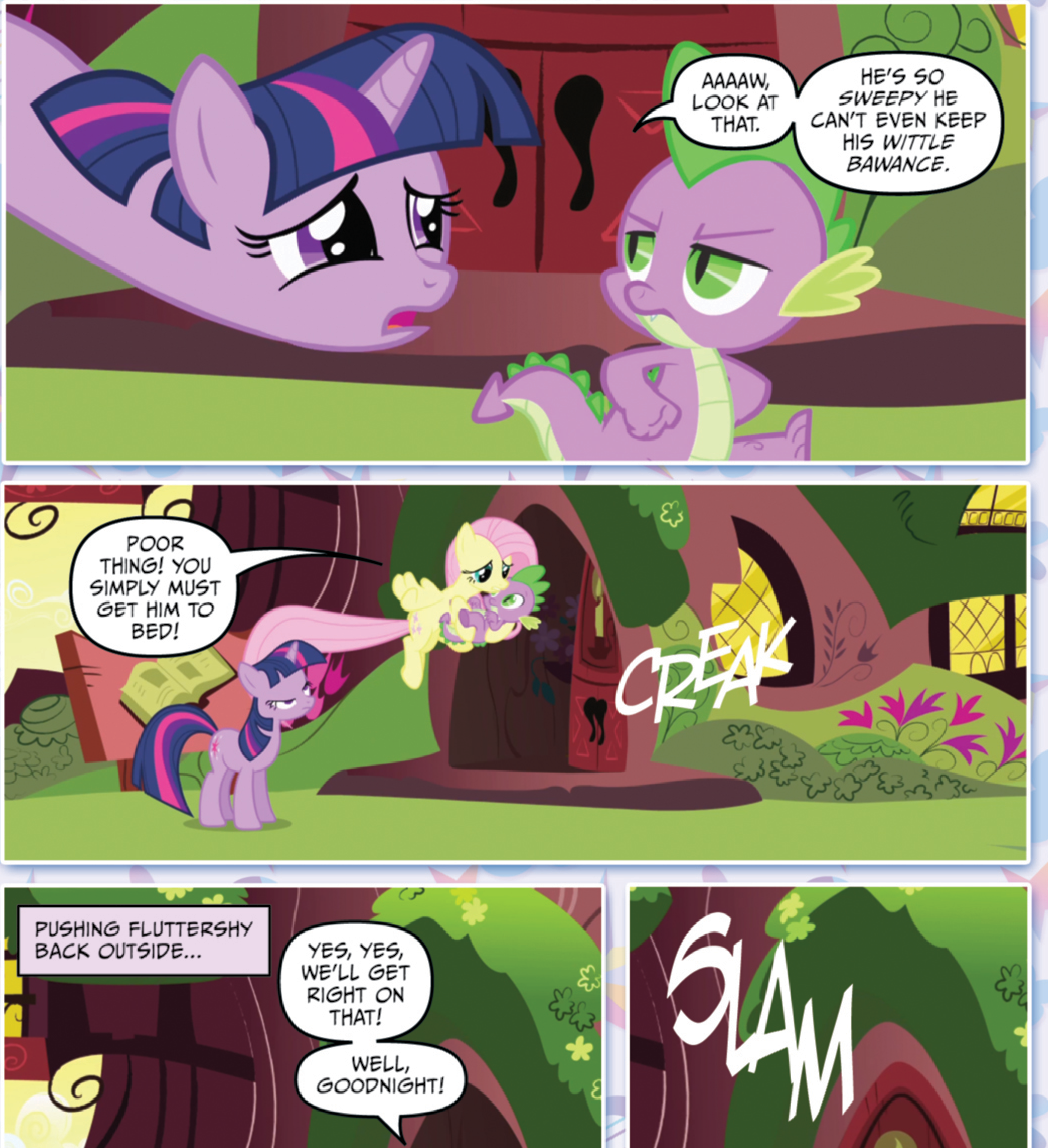

LATER...
WASN'T SHE WONDERFUL?
FOCUS, CASANOVA. WHAT'S NEXT ON THE LIST?
MUSIC, IT'S THE LAST ONE.
RUSTLE
VERY GOOD, NOW FOLLOW ME, A-ONE, A-TWO, A-ONE TWO THREE...

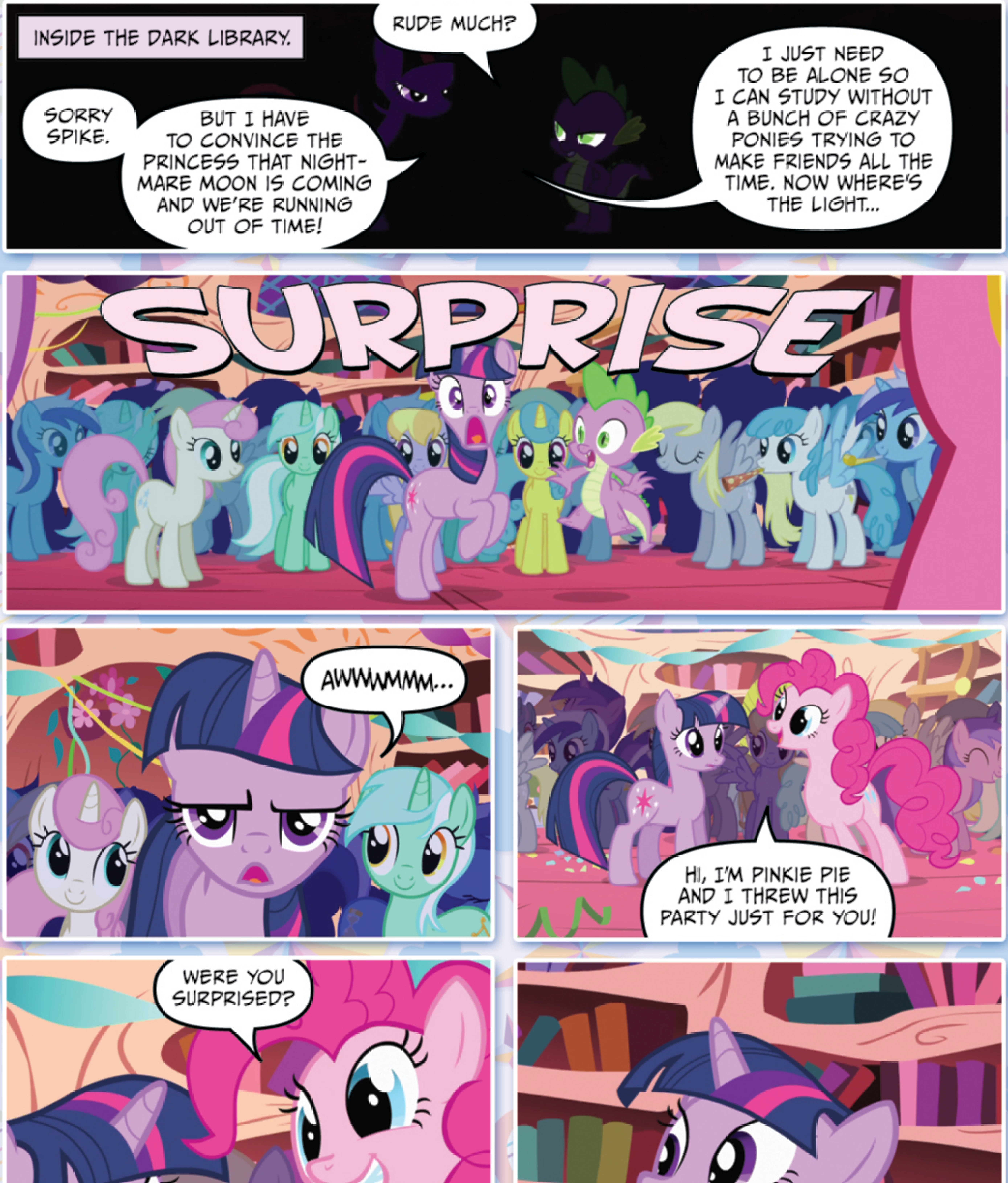

HELLO!
OH!
SQUAK
OH MY, I'M SO SORRY.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO FRIGHTEN YOUR BIRDS! I'M JUST HERE TO CHECK UP ON THE MUSIC AND IT'S SOUNDING BEAUTIFUL!
I'M TWILIGHT SPARKLE, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
Um, I'm Fluttershy.
I'M SORRY, WHAT WAS THAT?
Um, I'm Fluttershy.
DIDN'T QUITE CATCH THAT.

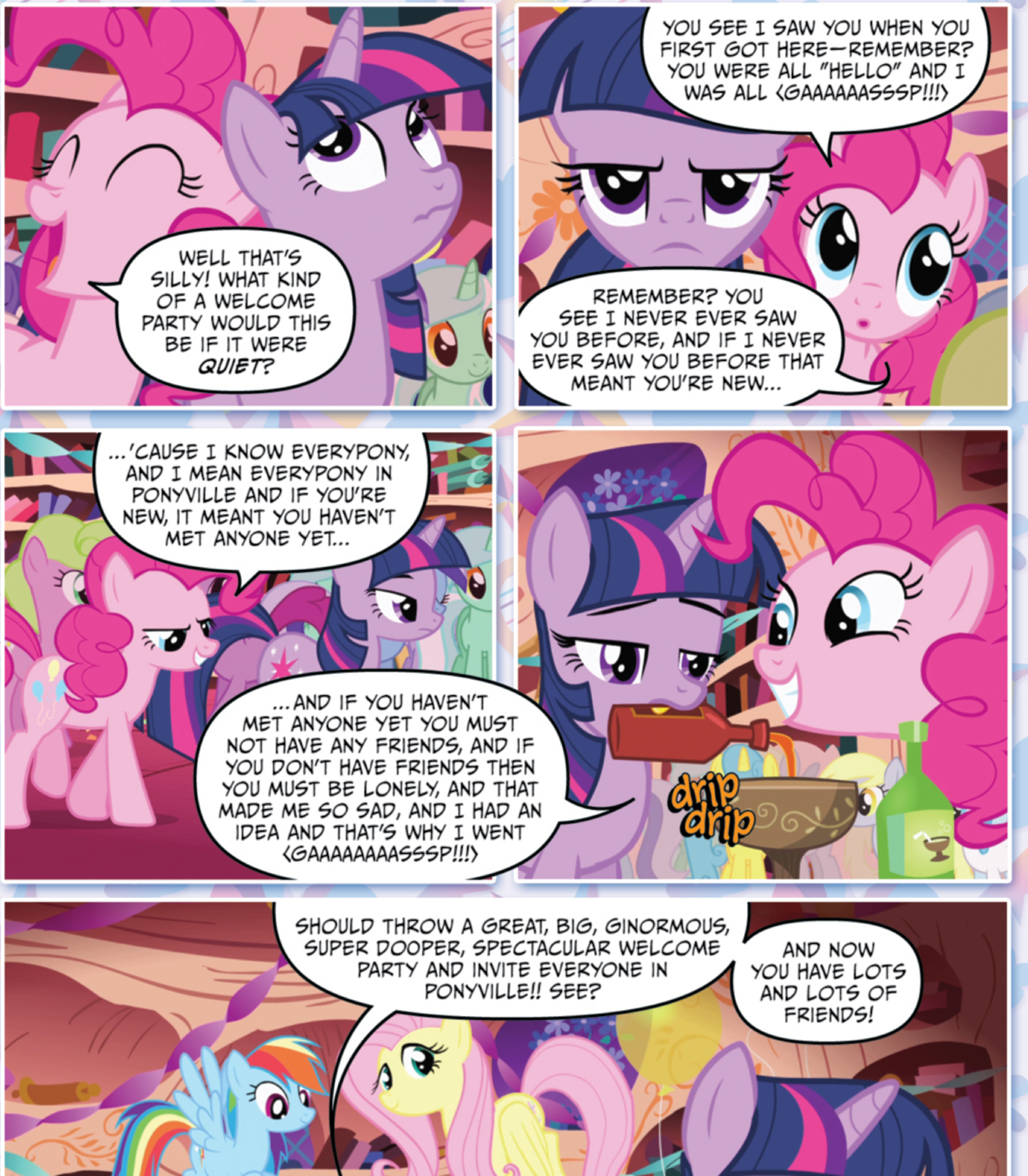

TWILIGHT SPARKLE BREAKS THE AWKWARD SILENCE.
WELL, UM, IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR BIRDS ARE BACK... SO, I GUESS EVERYTHING'S IN ORDER!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
MUMBLE SQUEAK MUMBLE
OOOOOO-KAAAAAY. WELL, THAT WAS EASY!
AH!
A BABY DRAGON!
OH I'VE NEVER SEEN A BABY DRAGON BEFORE!
WHAM
WHOA!
HE'S SO CUTE!
WELL, WELL, WELL.

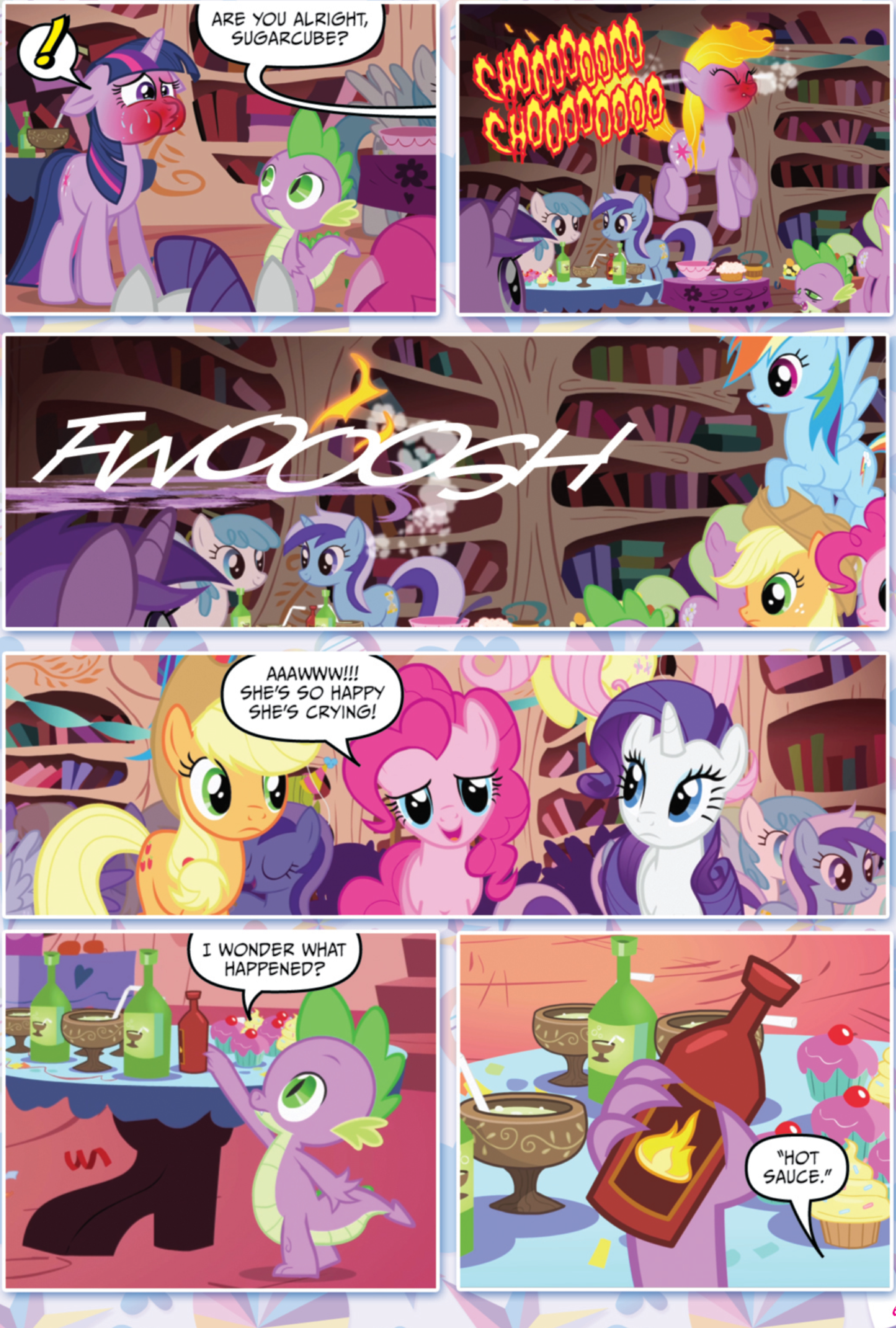

I DIDN'T KNOW DRAGONS COULD TALK.
THAT'S JUST SO INCREDIBLY WONDERFUL...
...I-I-I JUST DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT TO SAY!
WELL IN THAT CASE...
BOING
THUD
...WE'D BETTER BE GOING.
WAIT, WAIT! WHAT'S HIS NAME?
HI SPIKE, I'M FLUTTERSHY. WOW, A TALKING DRAGON!
I'M SPIKE!
AND WHAT DO DRAGONS TALK ABOUT?
WELL, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?
ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING!
UUUUGGH...
WEEEEEELLL, I STARTED OUT AS A CUTE LITTLE PURPLE AND GREEN EGG...

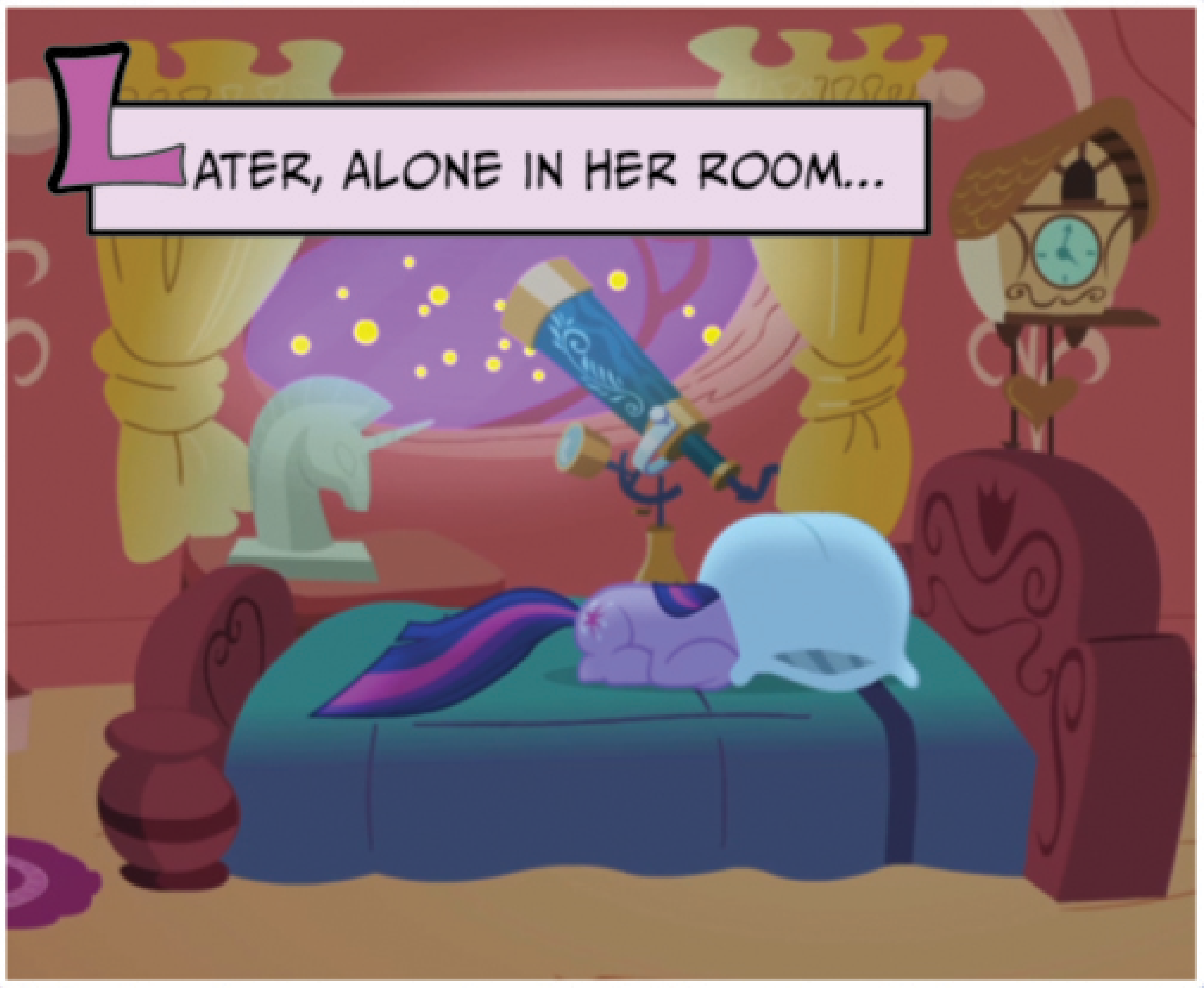

EVEN LATER.
...AND THAT'S THE STORY OF MY WHOOOOOLE ENTIRE LIFE! WELL, UP UNTIL TODAY. DO YOU WANT TO HEAR ABOUT TODAY?
AH!
I AM SO SORRY!
HOW DID WE GET HERE SO FAST?
THIS IS WHERE I'M STAYING WHILE IN PONYVILLE...
...AND MY POOR BABY DRAGON NEEDS HIS SLEEP.
NO I DON'T!
WHOA!
BUMP
WHAM

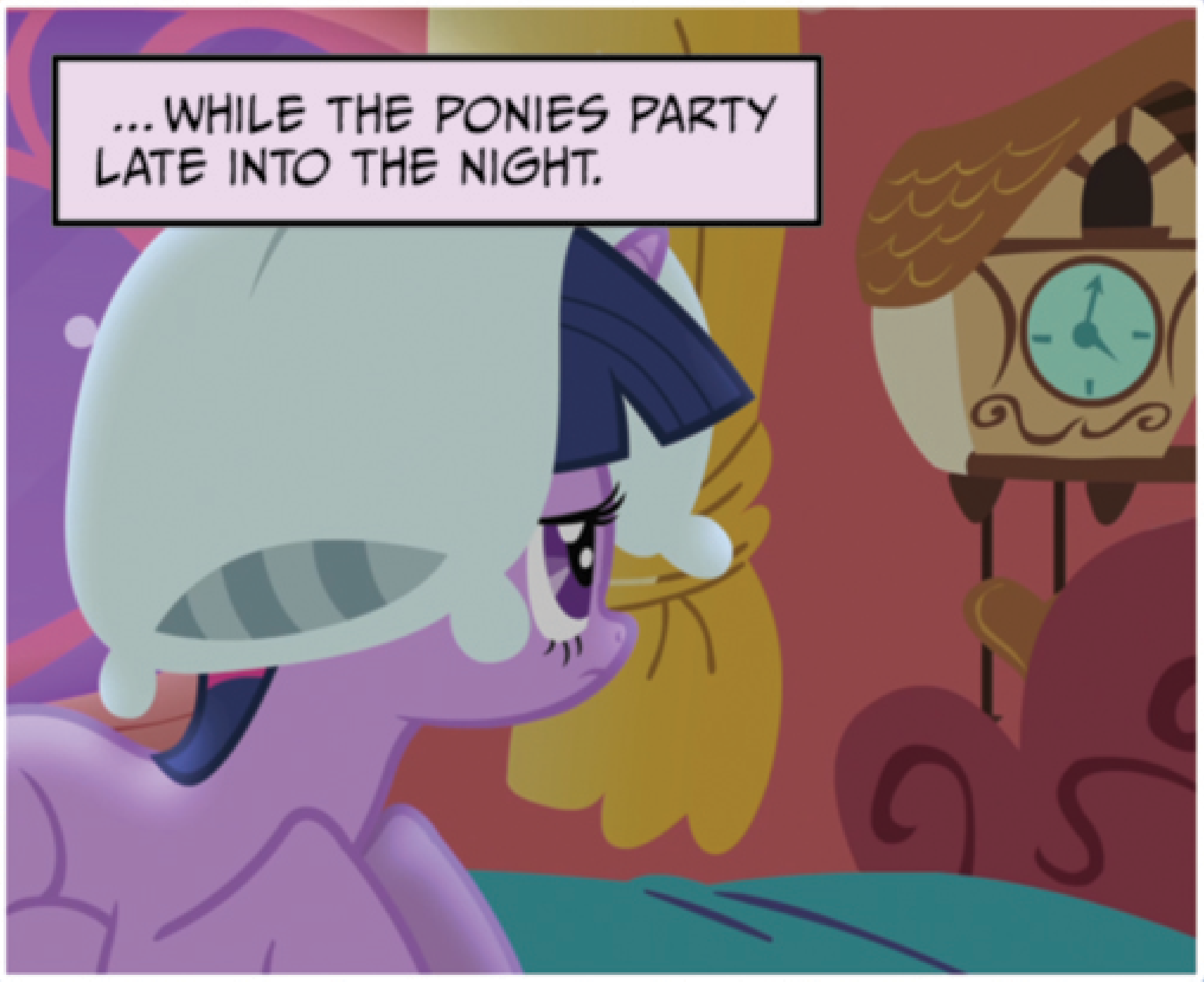

AAAAW, LOOK AT THAT.
HE'S SO *SWEEPY* HE CAN'T EVEN KEEP HIS *WITTLE BAWANCE.*
POOR THING! YOU SIMPLY MUST GET HIM TO BED!
CREAK
PUSHING FLUTTERSHY BACK OUTSIDE...
YES, YES, WE'LL GET RIGHT ON THAT!
WELL, GOODNIGHT!
SLAM

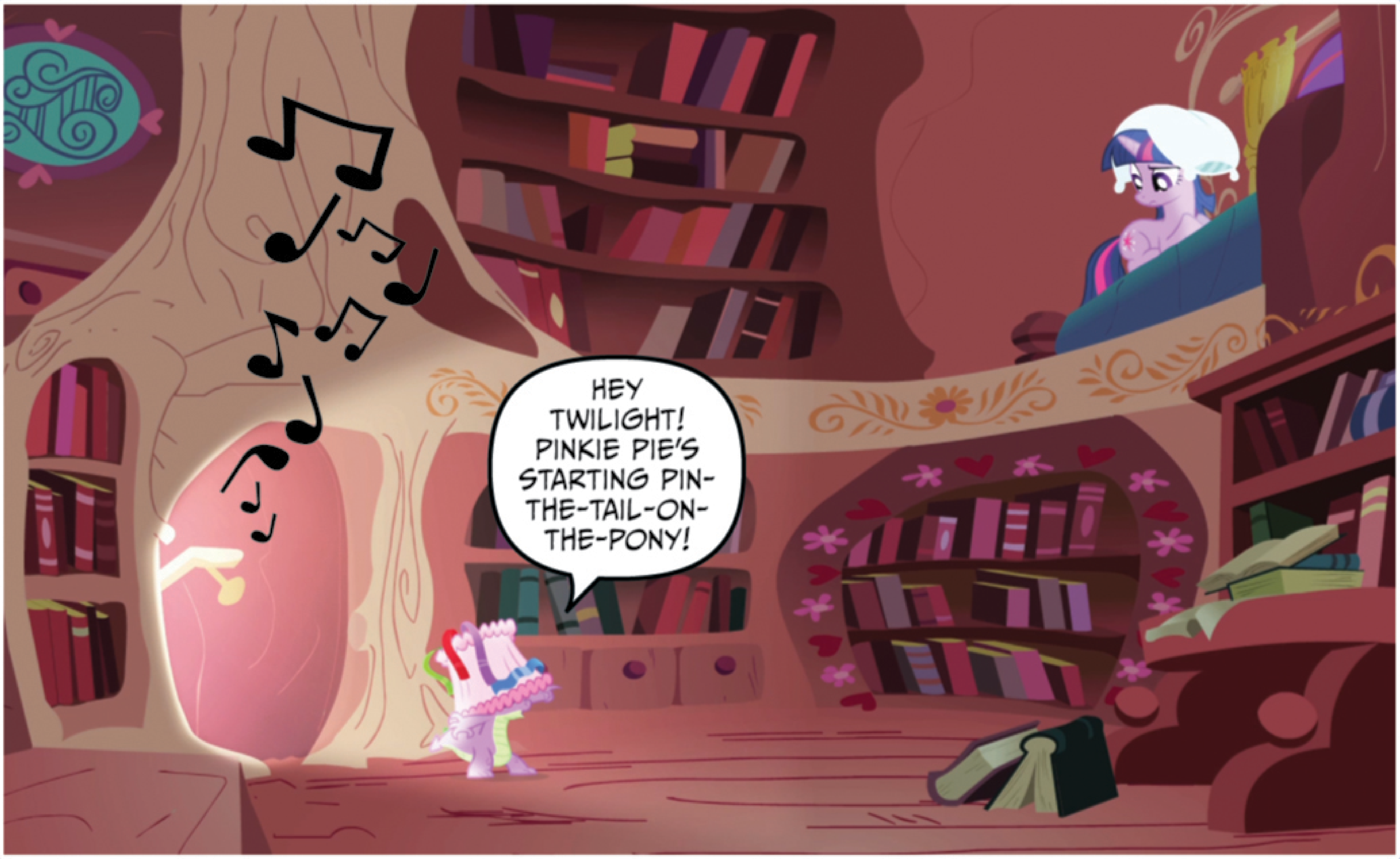

INSIDE THE DARK LIBRARY.
SORRY SPIKE.
BUT I HAVE TO CONVINCE THE PRINCESS THAT NIGHTMARE MOON IS COMING AND WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME!
RUDE MUCH?
I JUST NEED TO BE ALONE SO I CAN STUDY WITHOUT A BUNCH OF CRAZY PONIES TRYING TO MAKE FRIENDS ALL THE TIME. NOW WHERE'S THE LIGHT...
SURPRISE
AWWMMM...
HI, I'M PINKIE PIE AND I THREW THIS PARTY JUST FOR YOU!
WERE YOU SURPRISED?
WERE YOU? WERE YOU? HUH HUH HUH???
VERY SURPRISED. LIBRARIES ARE SUPPOSED TO BE QUIET.

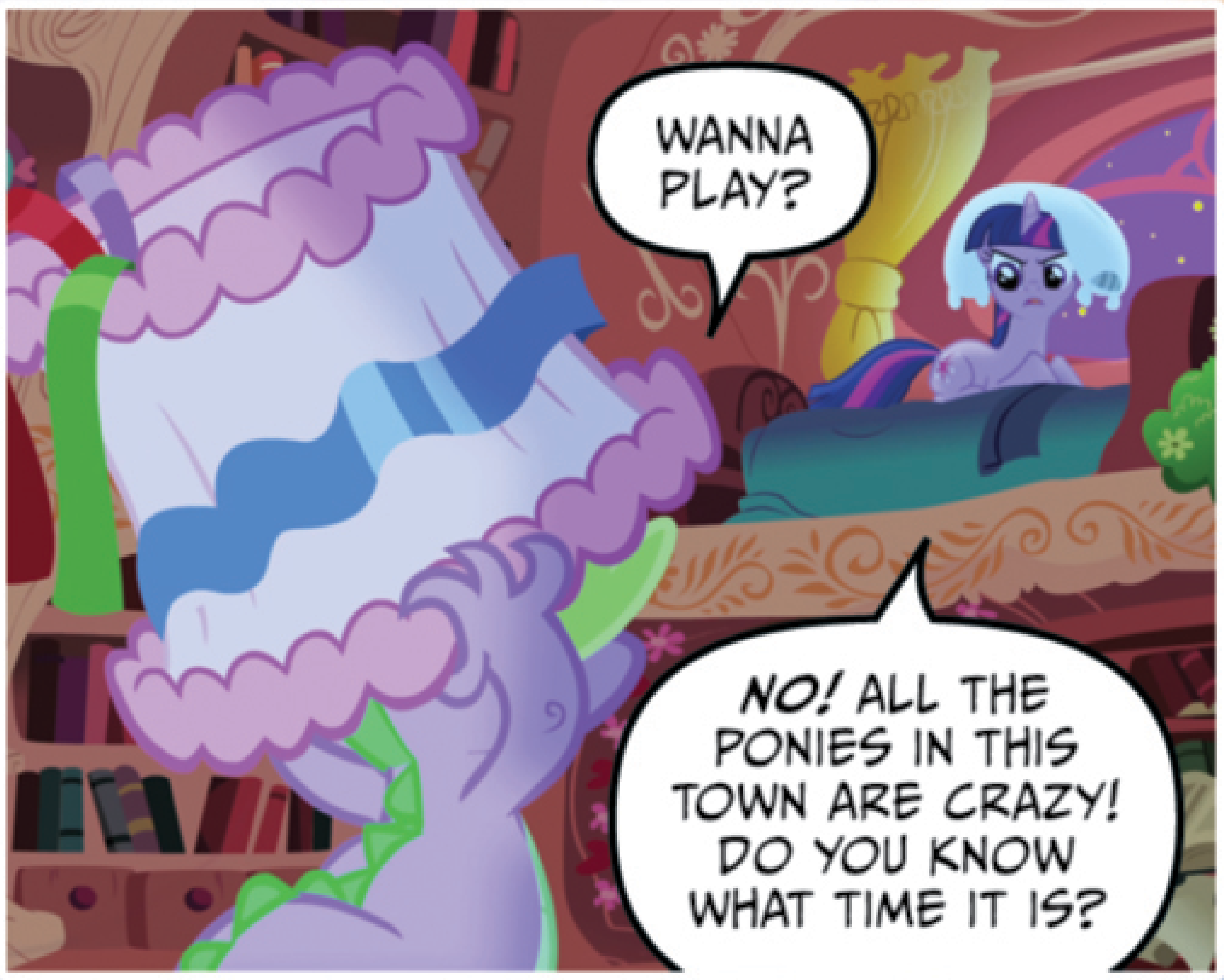

WELL THAT'S SILLY! WHAT KIND OF A WELCOME PARTY WOULD THIS BE IF IT WERE *QUIET*?
YOU SEE I SAW YOU WHEN YOU FIRST GOT HERE—REMEMBER? YOU WERE ALL "HELLO" AND I WAS ALL ⟨GAAAAAASSSP!!!⟩
REMEMBER? YOU SEE I NEVER EVER SAW YOU BEFORE, AND IF I NEVER EVER SAW YOU BEFORE THAT MEANT YOU'RE NEW...
...'CAUSE I KNOW EVERYPONY, AND I MEAN EVERYPONY IN PONYVILLE AND IF YOU'RE NEW, IT MEANT YOU HAVEN'T MET ANYONE YET...
...AND IF YOU HAVEN'T MET ANYONE YET YOU MUST NOT HAVE ANY FRIENDS, AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE FRIENDS THEN YOU MUST BE LONELY, AND THAT MADE ME SO SAD, AND I HAD AN IDEA AND THAT'S WHY I WENT ⟨GAAAAAAAASSSP!!!⟩
drip drip
SHOULD THROW A GREAT, BIG, GINORMOUS, SUPER DOOPER, SPECTACULAR WELCOME PARTY AND INVITE EVERYONE IN PONYVILLE!! SEE?
AND NOW YOU HAVE LOTS AND LOTS OF FRIENDS!
sip

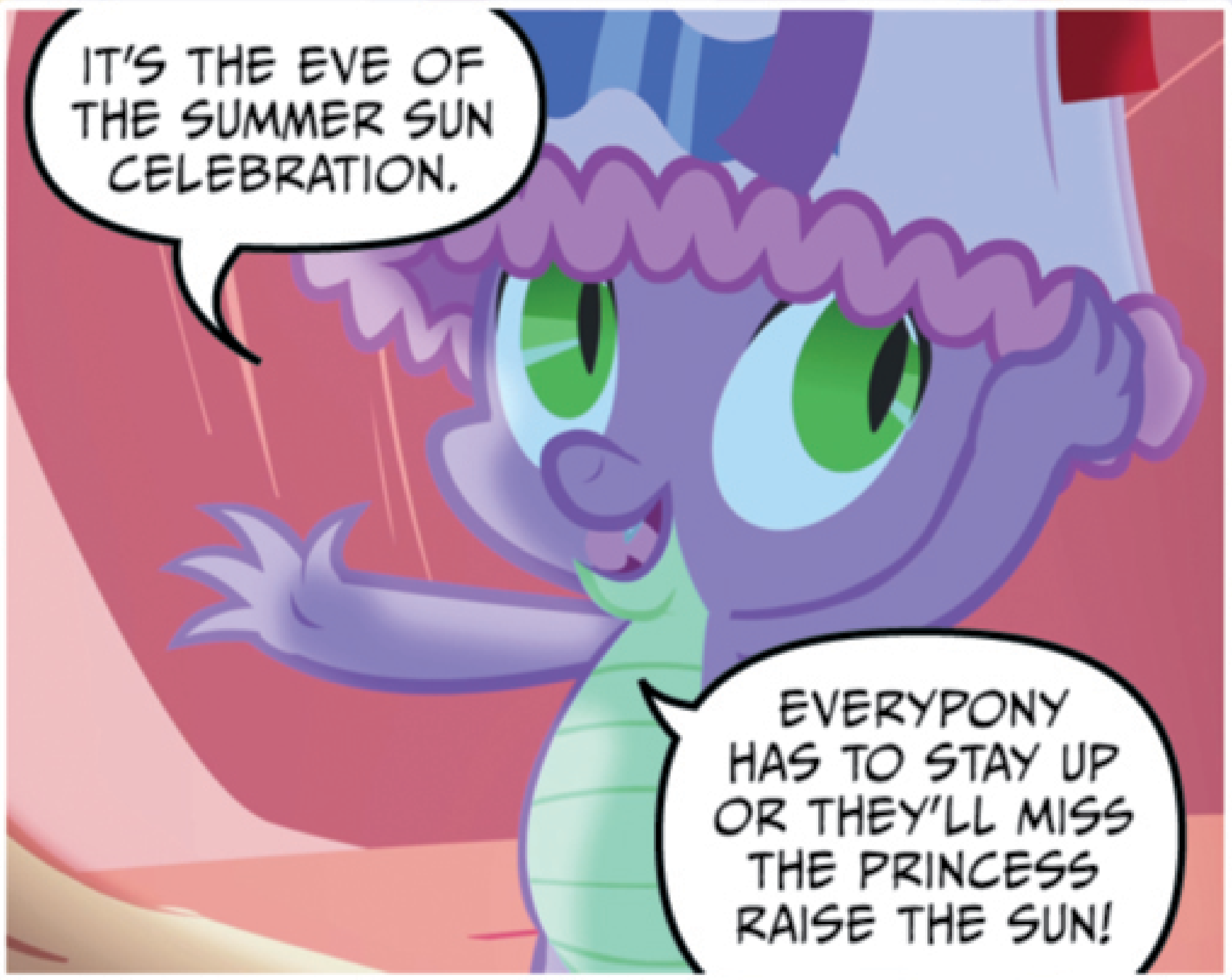

!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, SUGARCUBE?
CHOOOOOOOO
CHOOOOOOOO
FWOOOSH
AAAWWW!!! SHE'S SO HAPPY SHE'S CRYING!
I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED?
"HOT SAUCE."

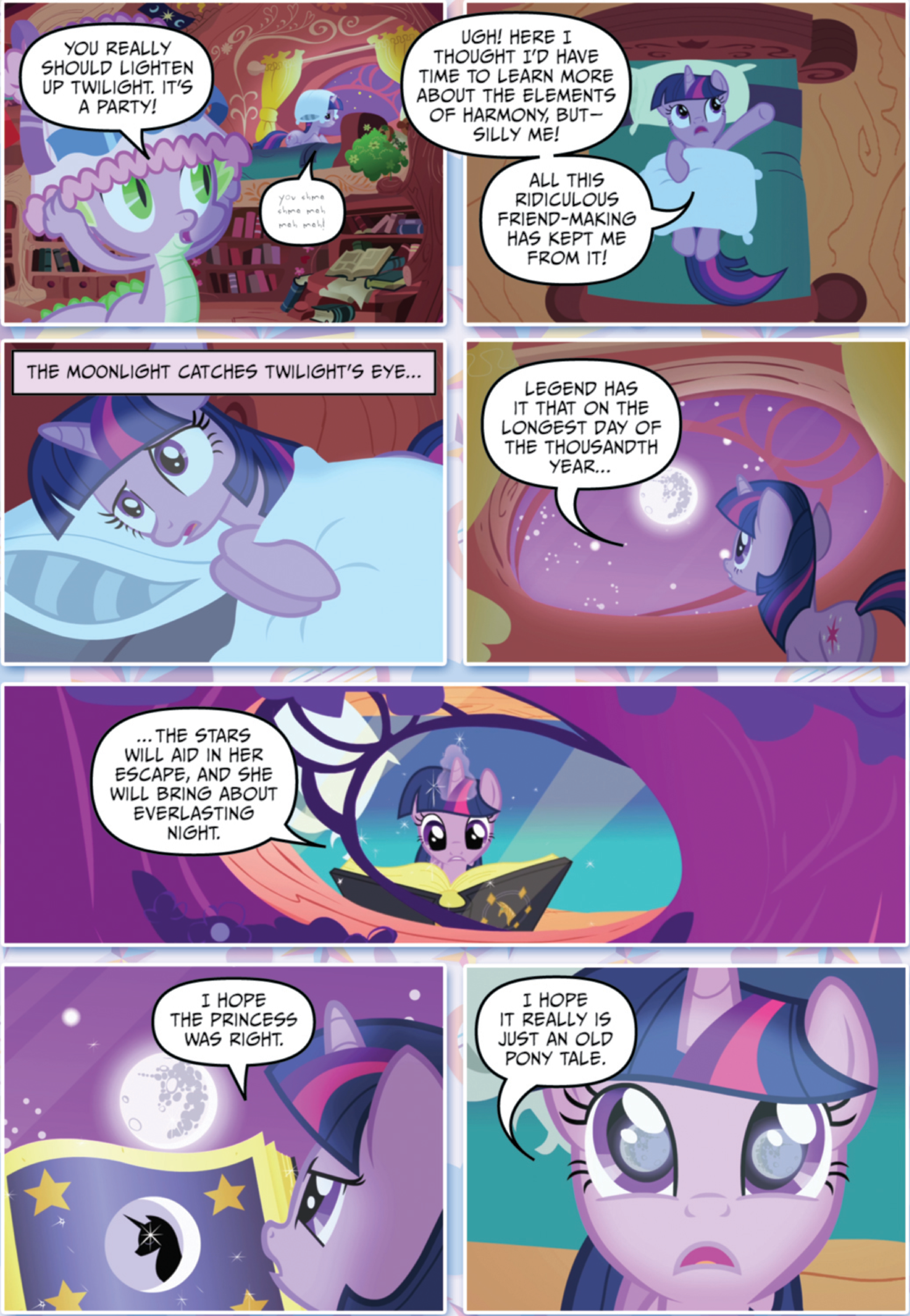

LATER, ALONE IN HER ROOM...

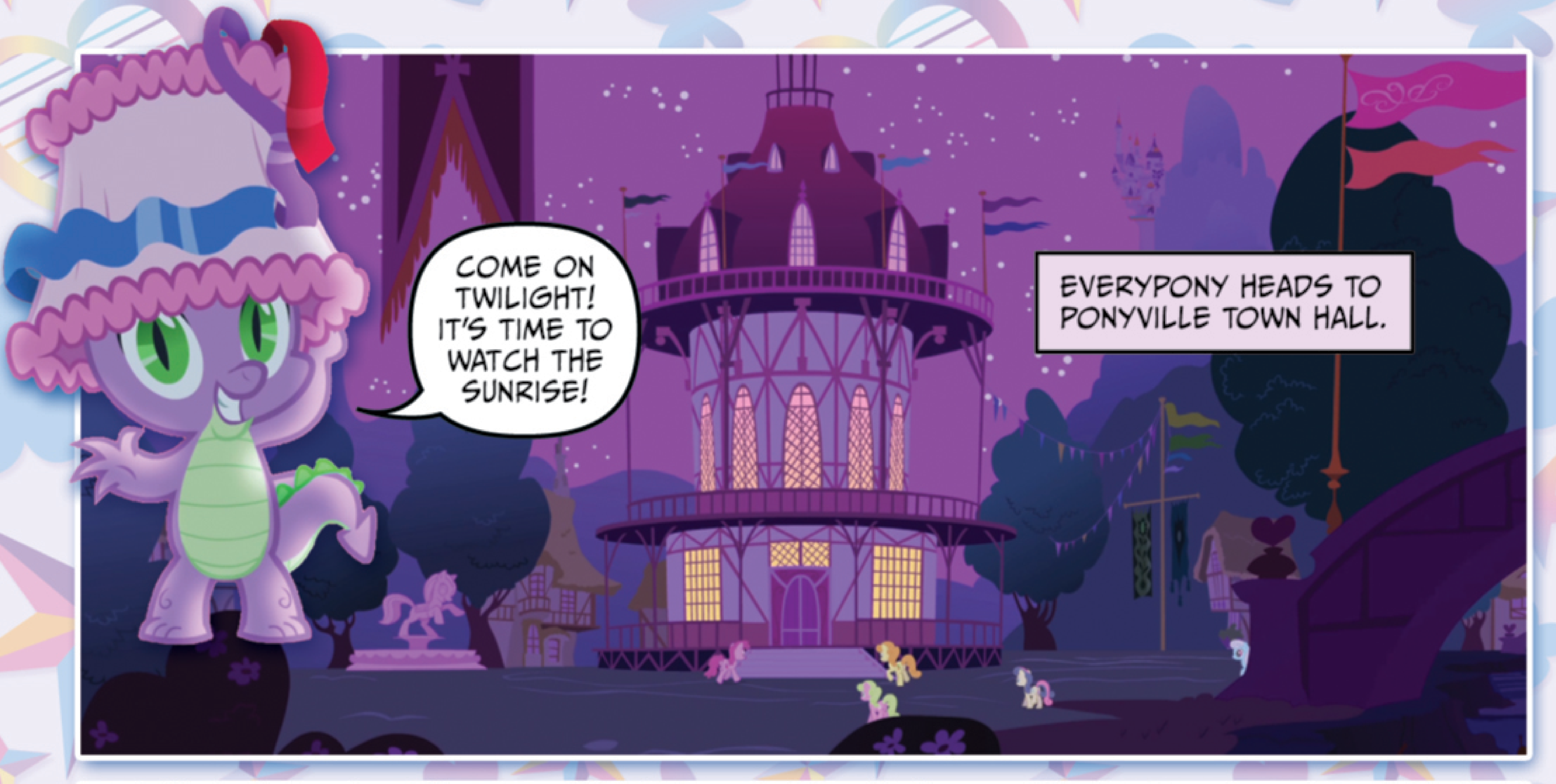

...WHILE THE PONIES PARTY LATE INTO THE NIGHT.

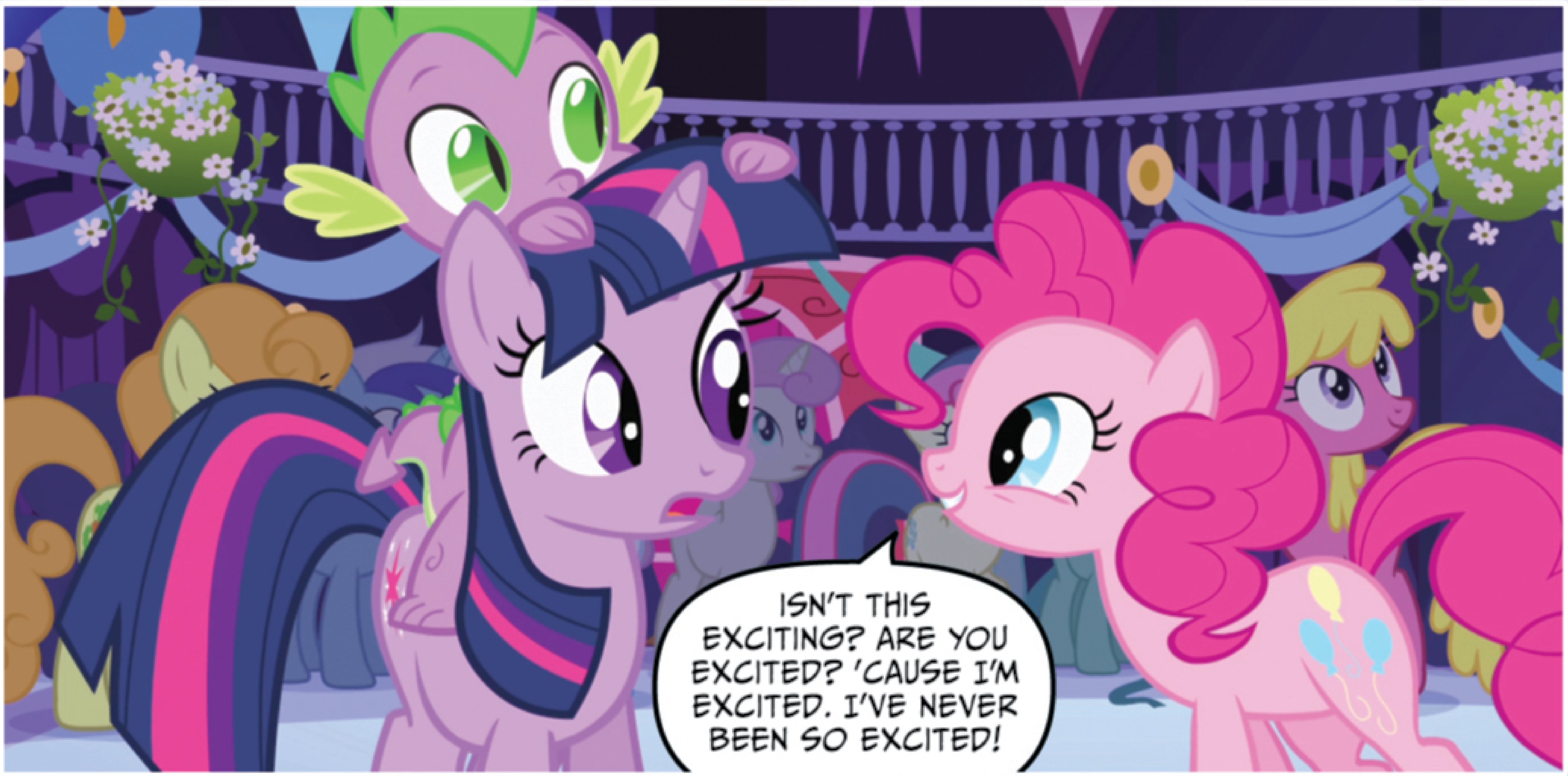

HEY TWILIGHT! PINKIE PIE'S STARTING PIN-THE-TAIL-ON-THE-PONY!

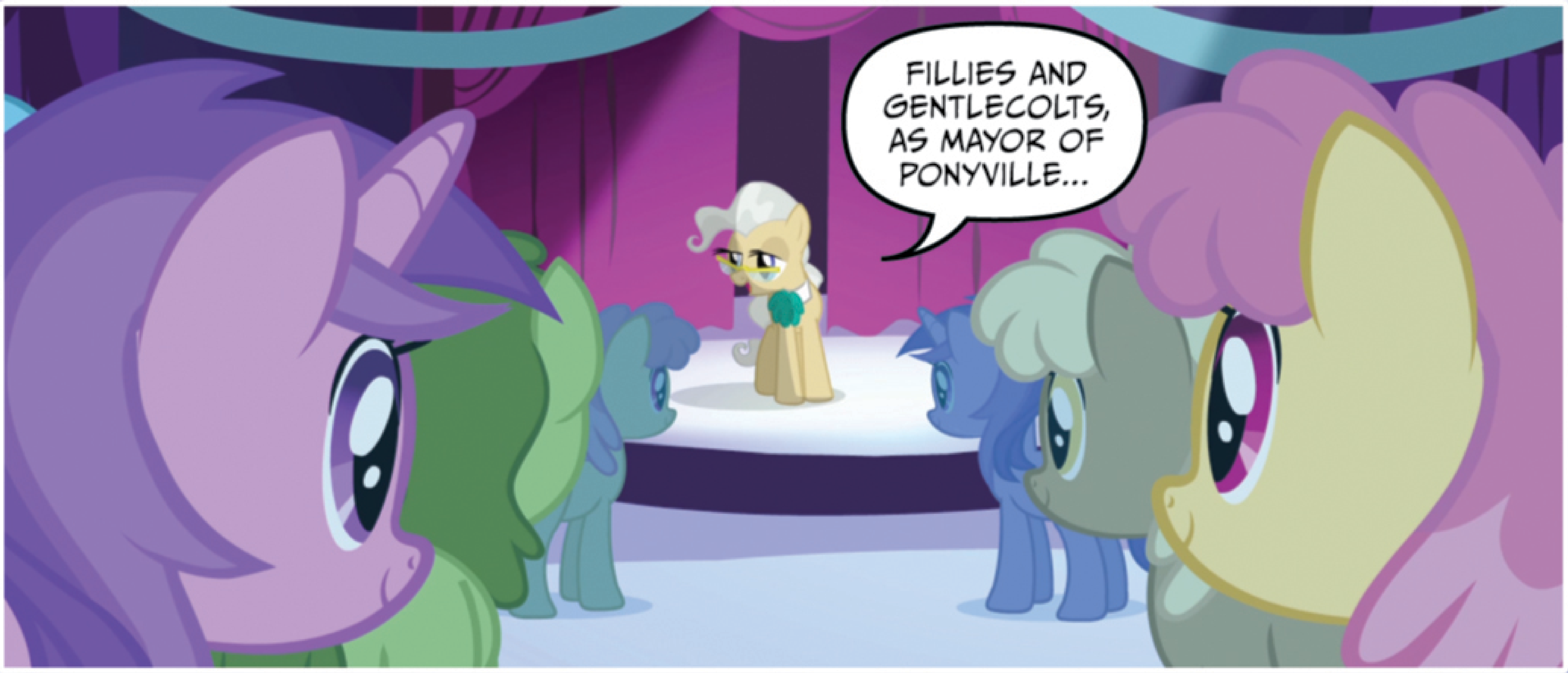

WANNA PLAY?
NO! ALL THE PONIES IN THIS TOWN ARE CRAZY! DO YOU KNOW WHAT TIME IT IS?

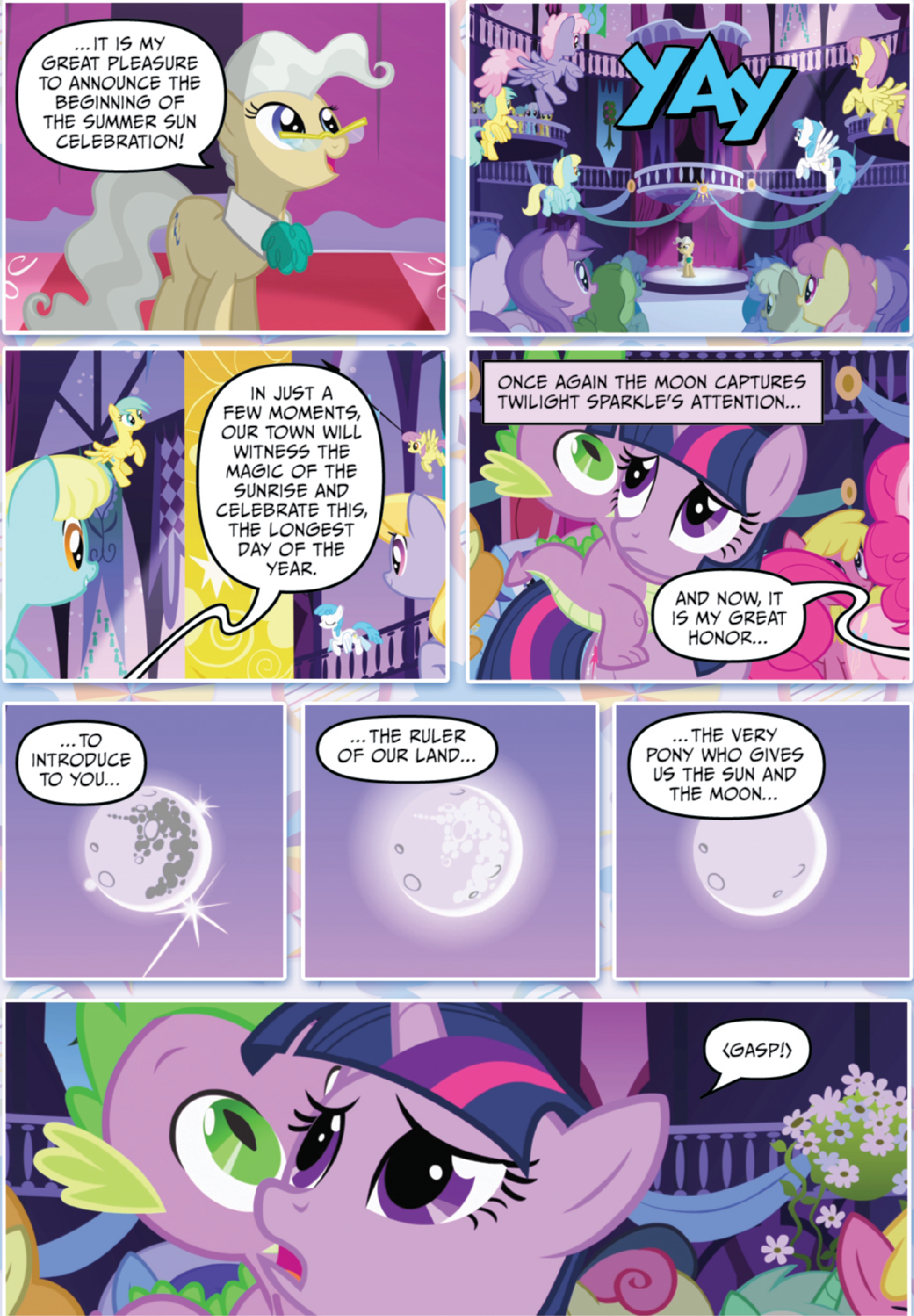

IT'S THE EVE OF THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION.
EVERYPONY HAS TO STAY UP OR THEY'LL MISS THE PRINCESS RAISE THE SUN!

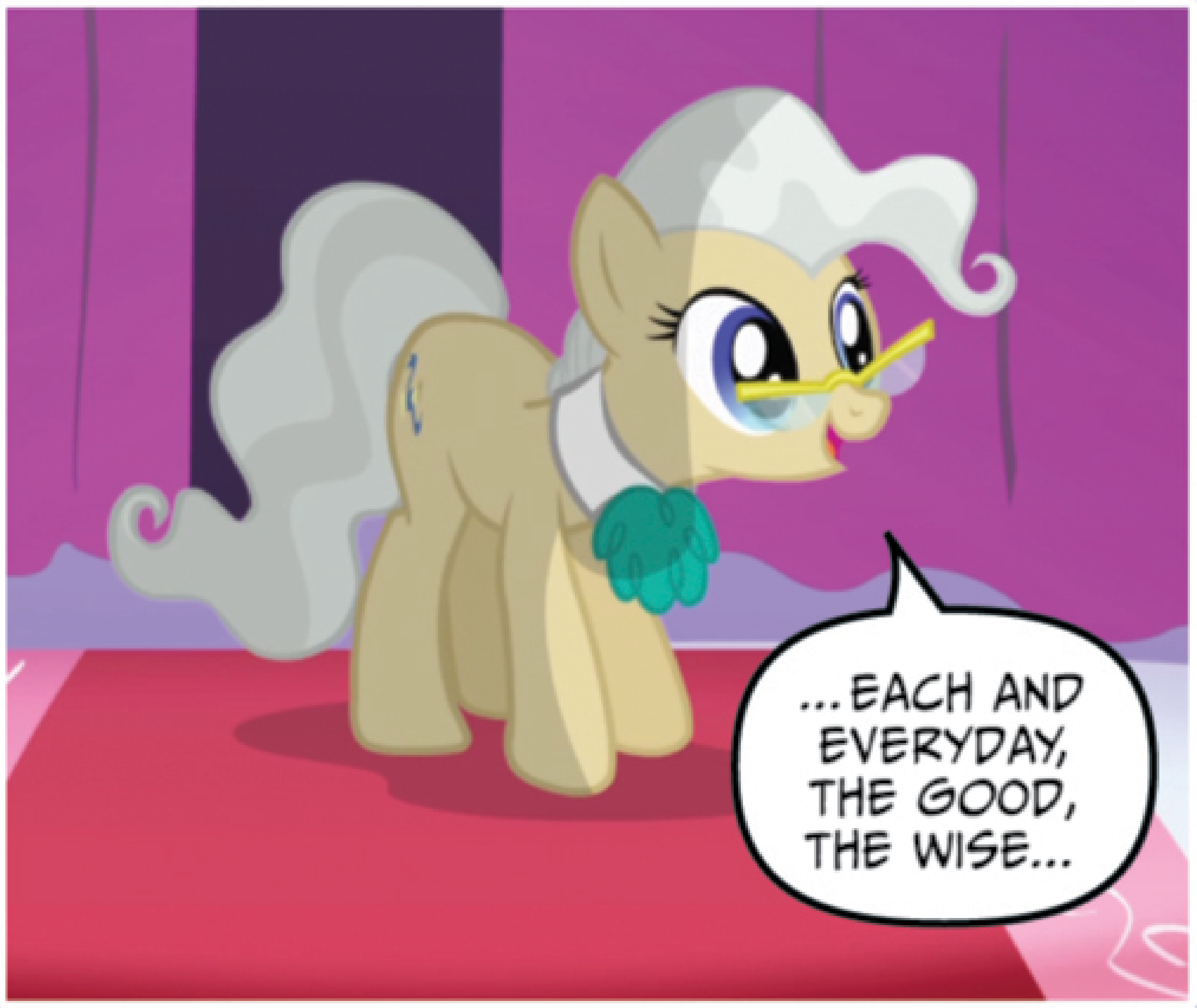

YOU REALLY SHOULD LIGHTEN UP TWILIGHT. IT'S A PARTY!
you shme shme meh meh meh!
UGH! HERE I THOUGHT I'D HAVE TIME TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY, BUT— SILLY ME!
ALL THIS RIDICULOUS FRIEND-MAKING HAS KEPT ME FROM IT!
THE MOONLIGHT CATCHES TWILIGHT'S EYE...
LEGEND HAS IT THAT ON THE LONGEST DAY OF THE THOUSANDTH YEAR...
...THE STARS WILL AID IN HER ESCAPE, AND SHE WILL BRING ABOUT EVERLASTING NIGHT.
I HOPE THE PRINCESS WAS RIGHT.
I HOPE IT REALLY IS JUST AN OLD PONY TALE.

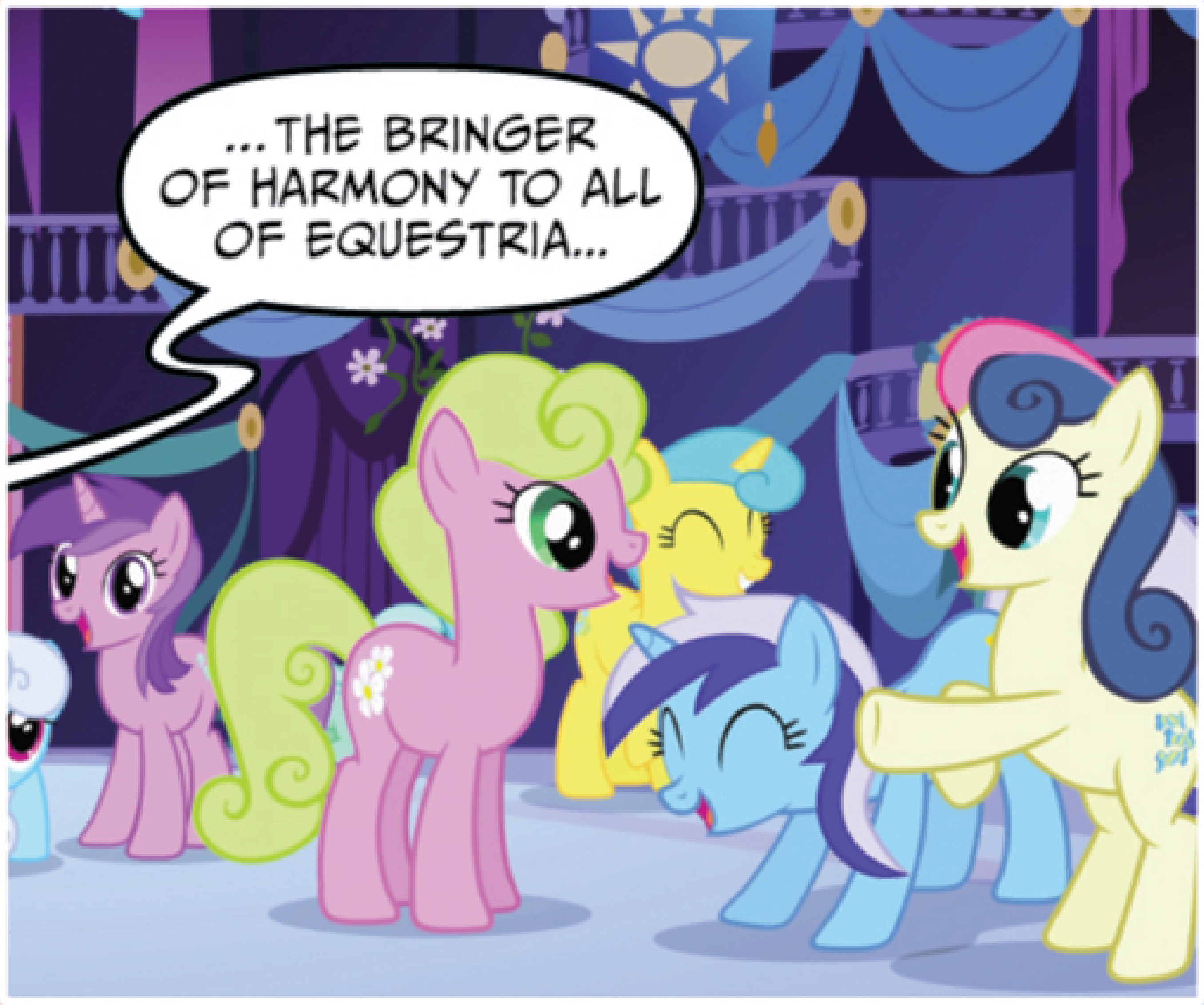

COME ON TWILIGHT! IT'S TIME TO WATCH THE SUNRISE!
EVERYPONY HEADS TO PONYVILLE TOWN HALL.

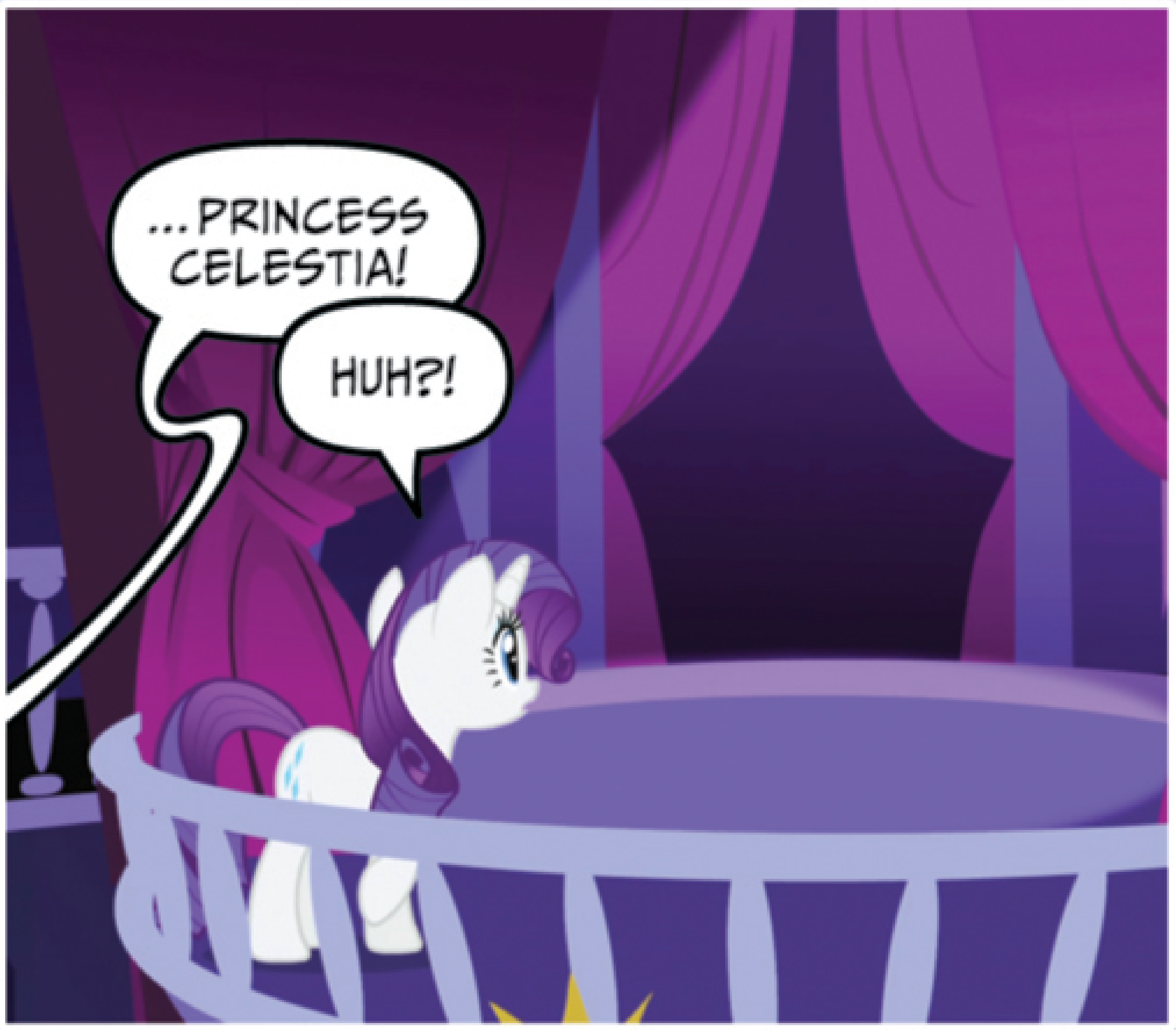

ISN'T THIS EXCITING? ARE YOU EXCITED? 'CAUSE I'M EXCITED. I'VE NEVER BEEN SO EXCITED!

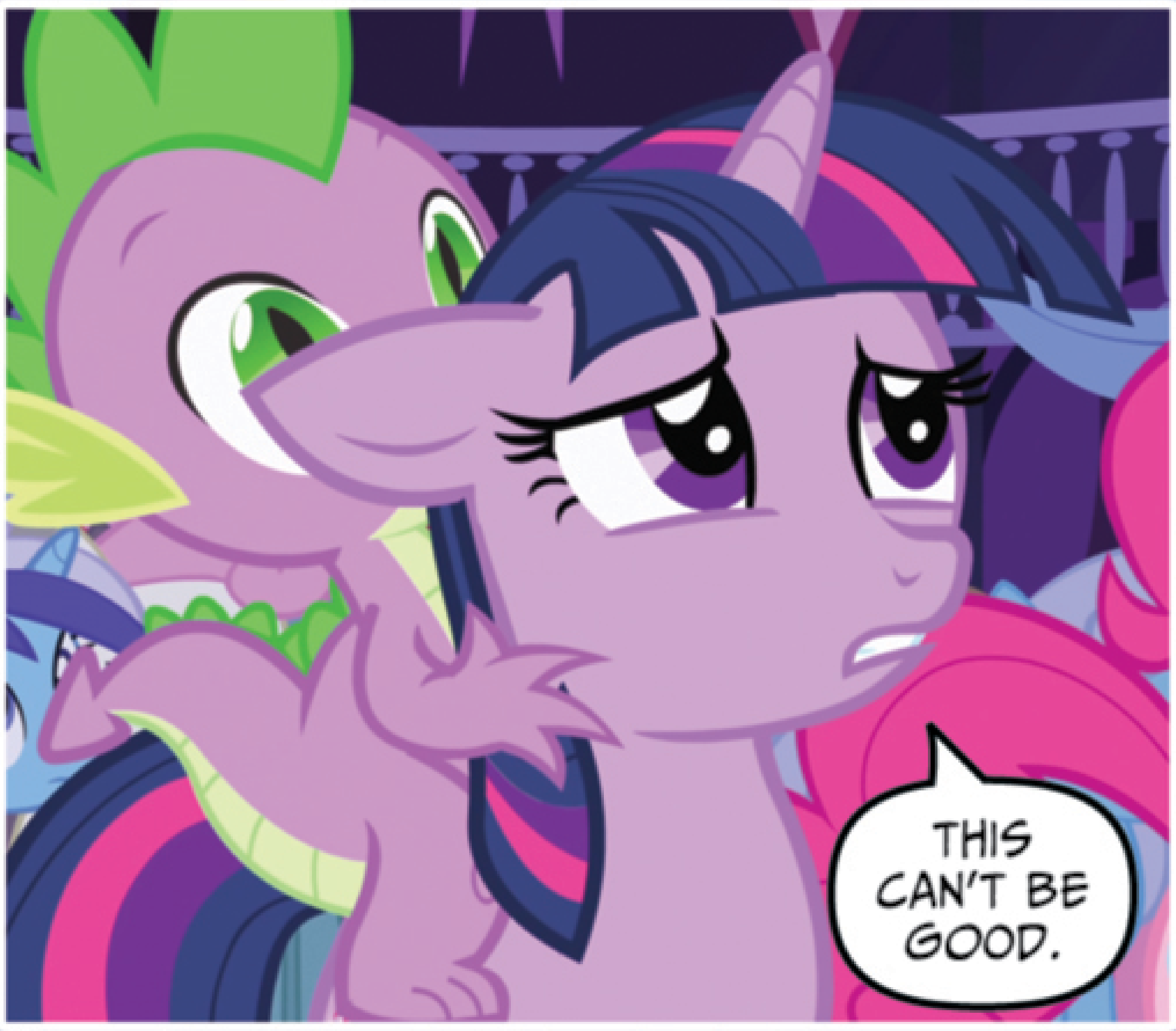

FILLIES AND GENTLECOLTS, AS MAYOR OF PONYVILLE...


...IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER SUN CELEBRATION!
YAY
IN JUST A FEW MOMENTS, OUR TOWN WILL WITNESS THE MAGIC OF THE SUNRISE AND CELEBRATE THIS, THE LONGEST DAY OF THE YEAR.
ONCE AGAIN THE MOON CAPTURES TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S ATTENTION...
AND NOW, IT IS MY GREAT HONOR...
...TO INTRODUCE TO YOU...
...THE RULER OF OUR LAND...
...THE VERY PONY WHO GIVES US THE SUN AND THE MOON...
‹GASP!›


...EACH AND EVERYDAY, THE GOOD, THE WISE...


...THE BRINGER OF HARMONY TO ALL OF EQUESTRIA...


...PRINCESS CELESTIA!
HUH?!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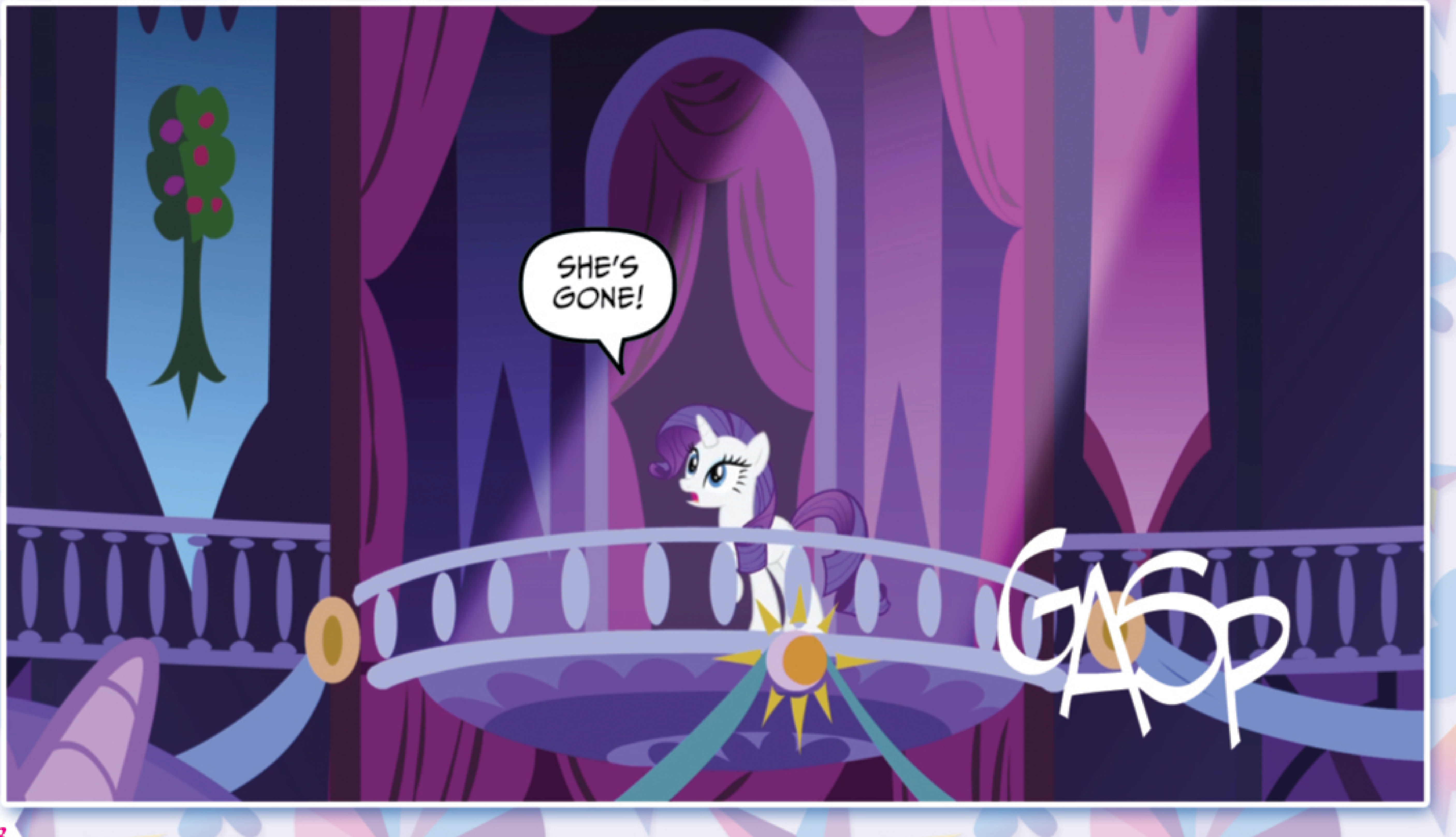
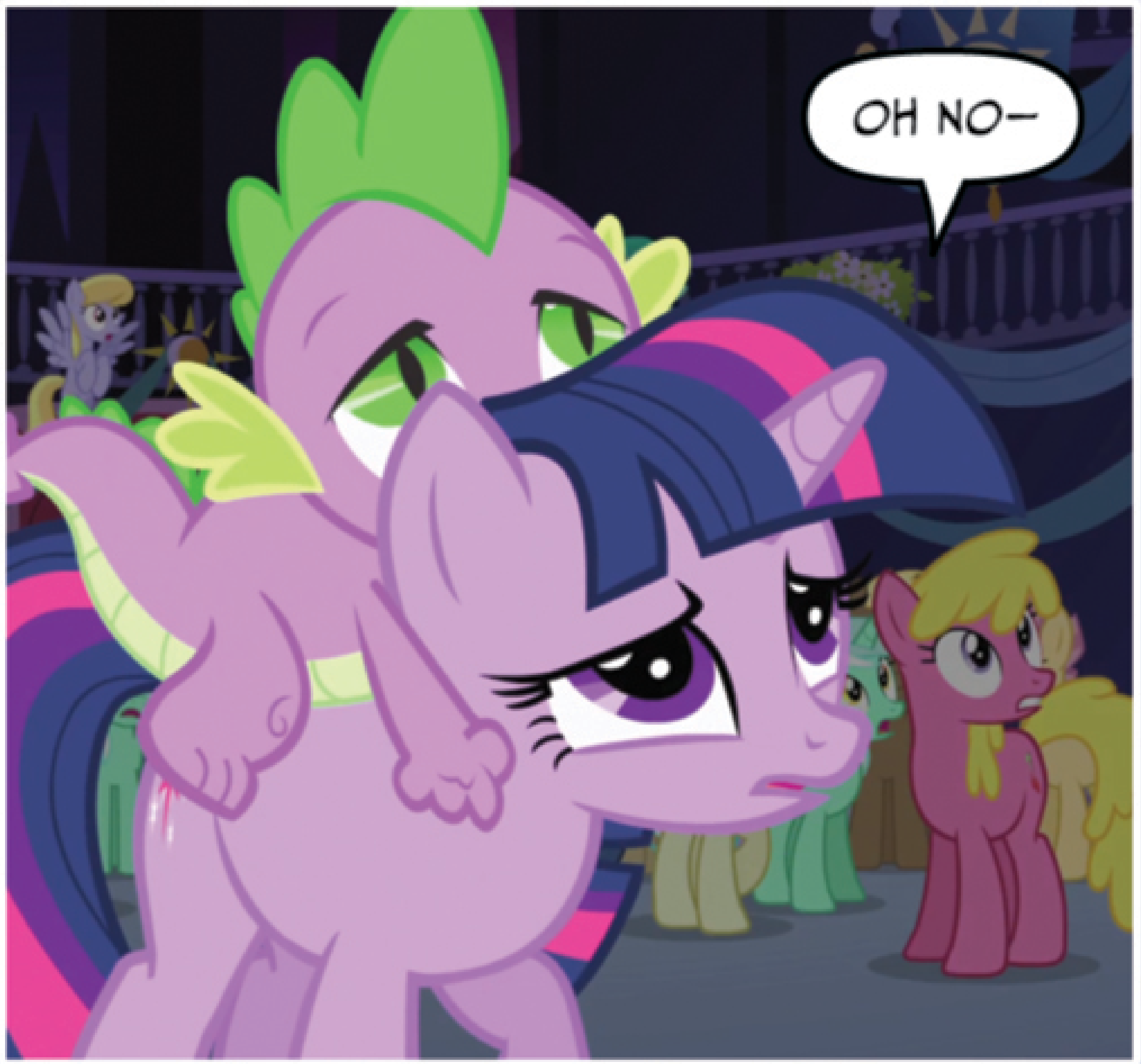
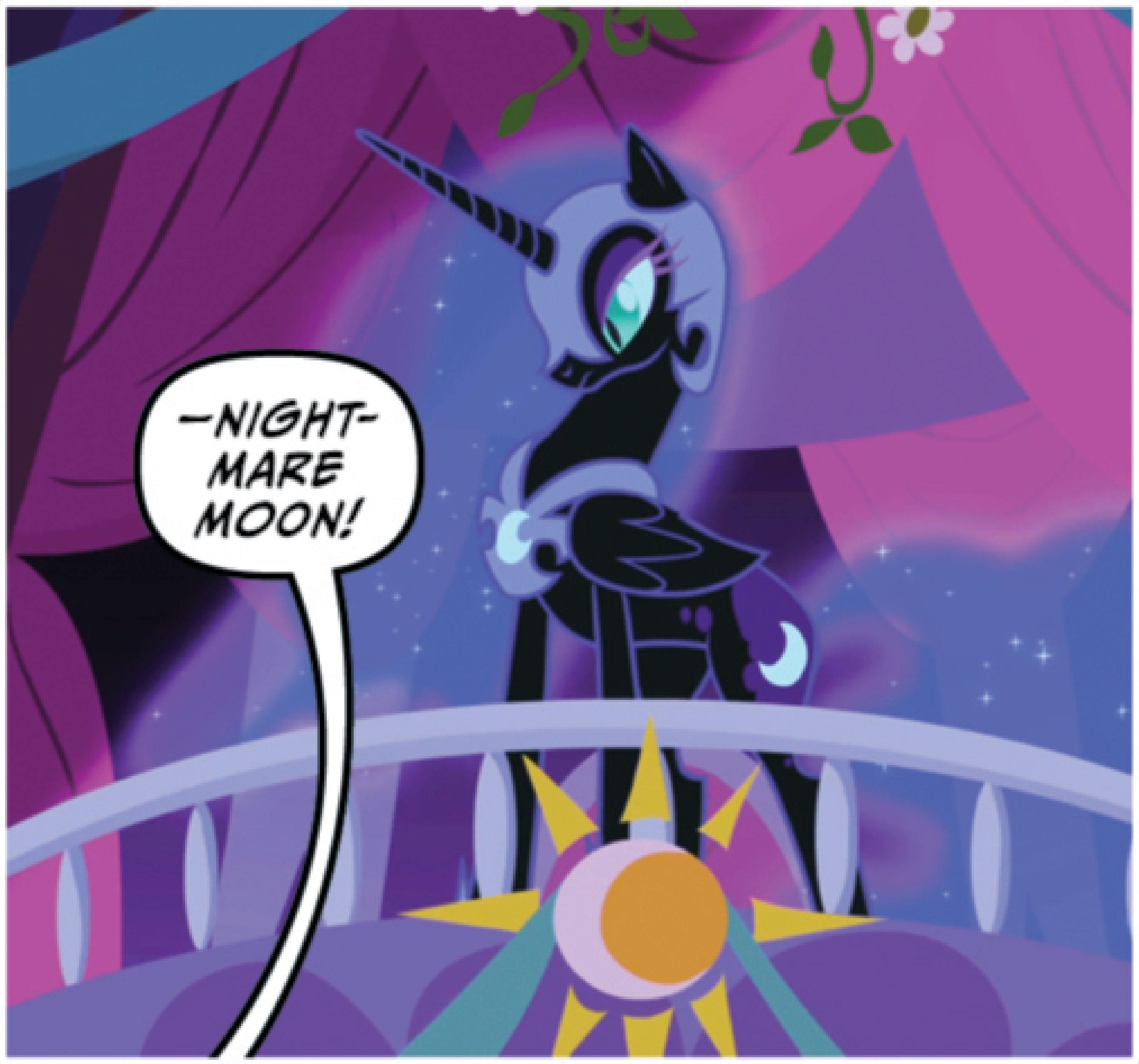
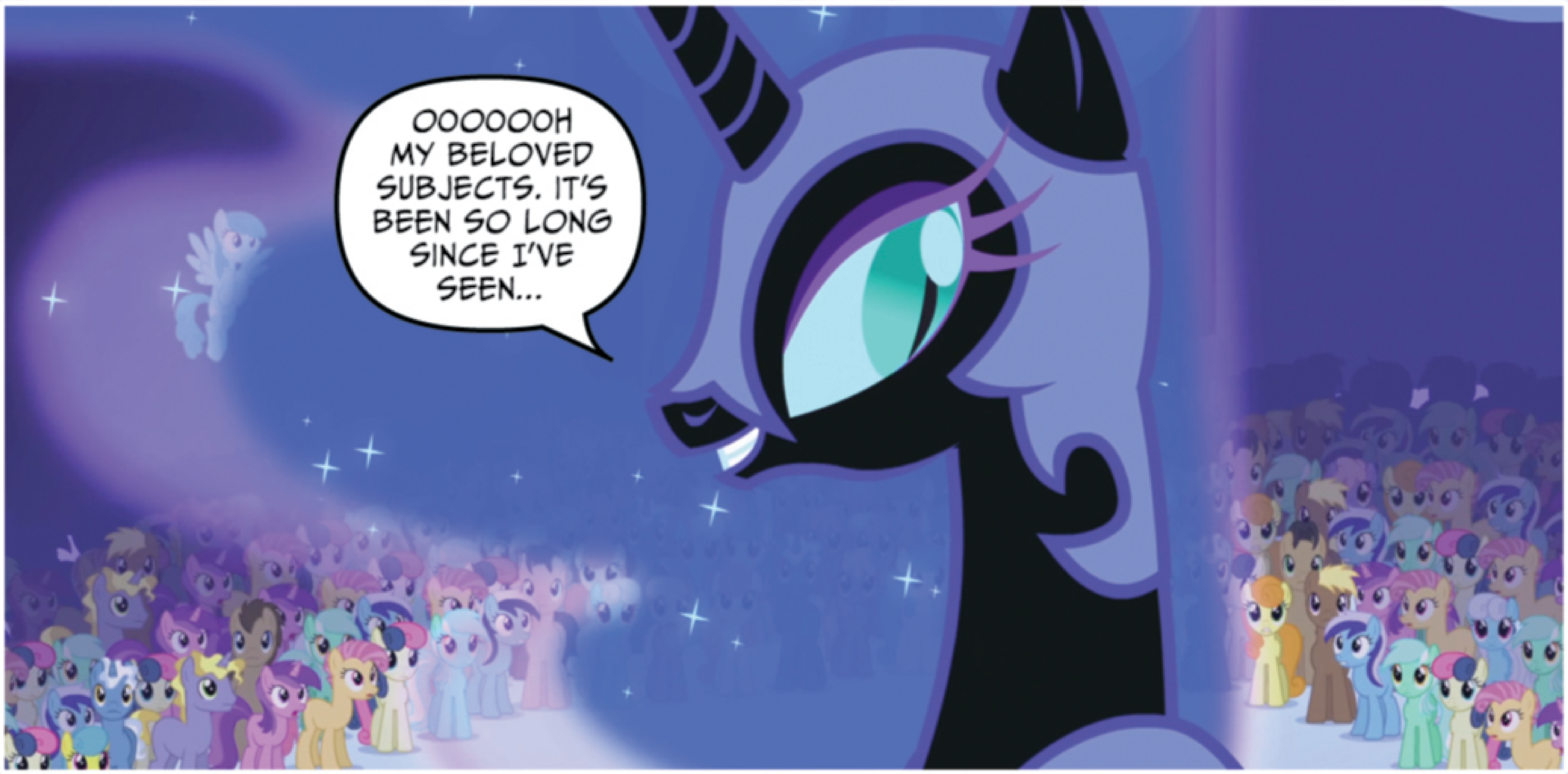
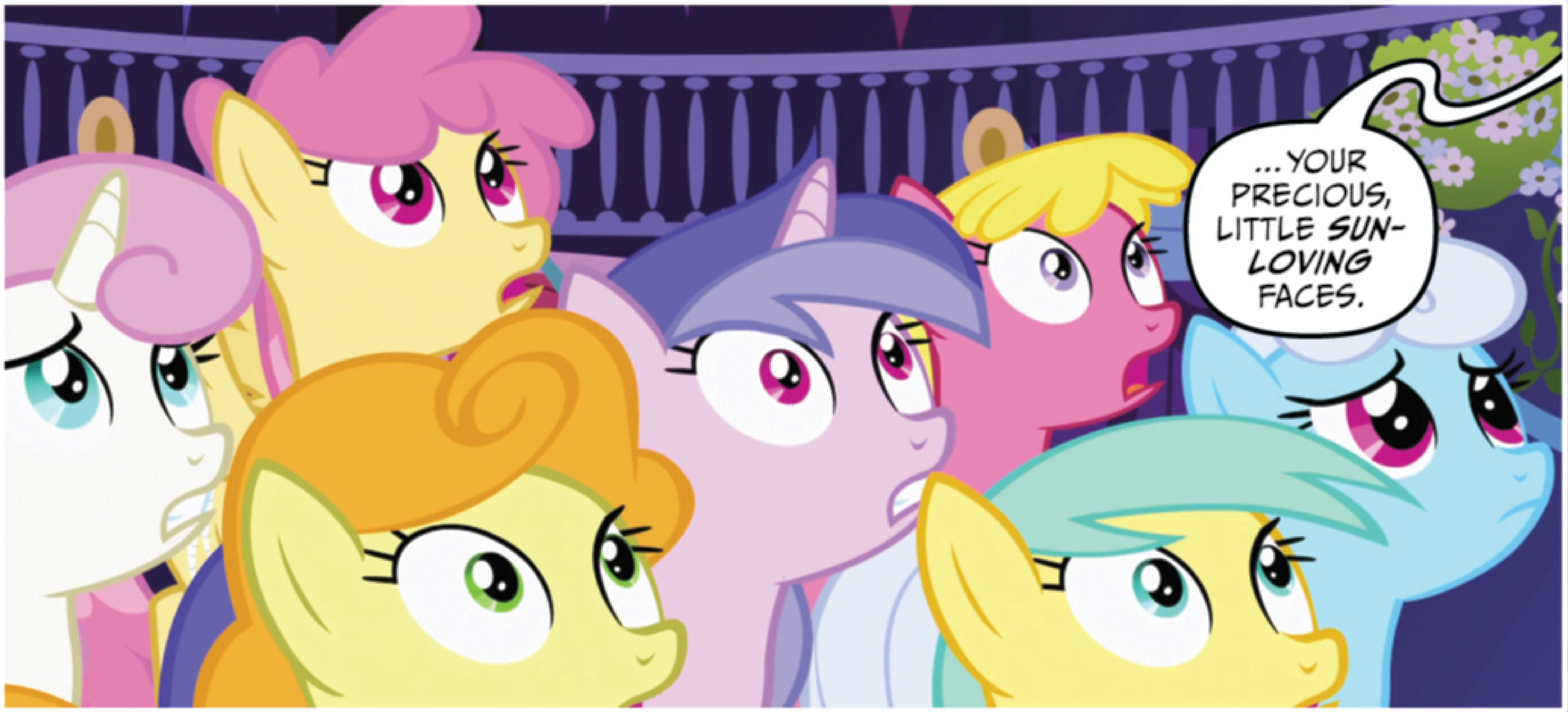
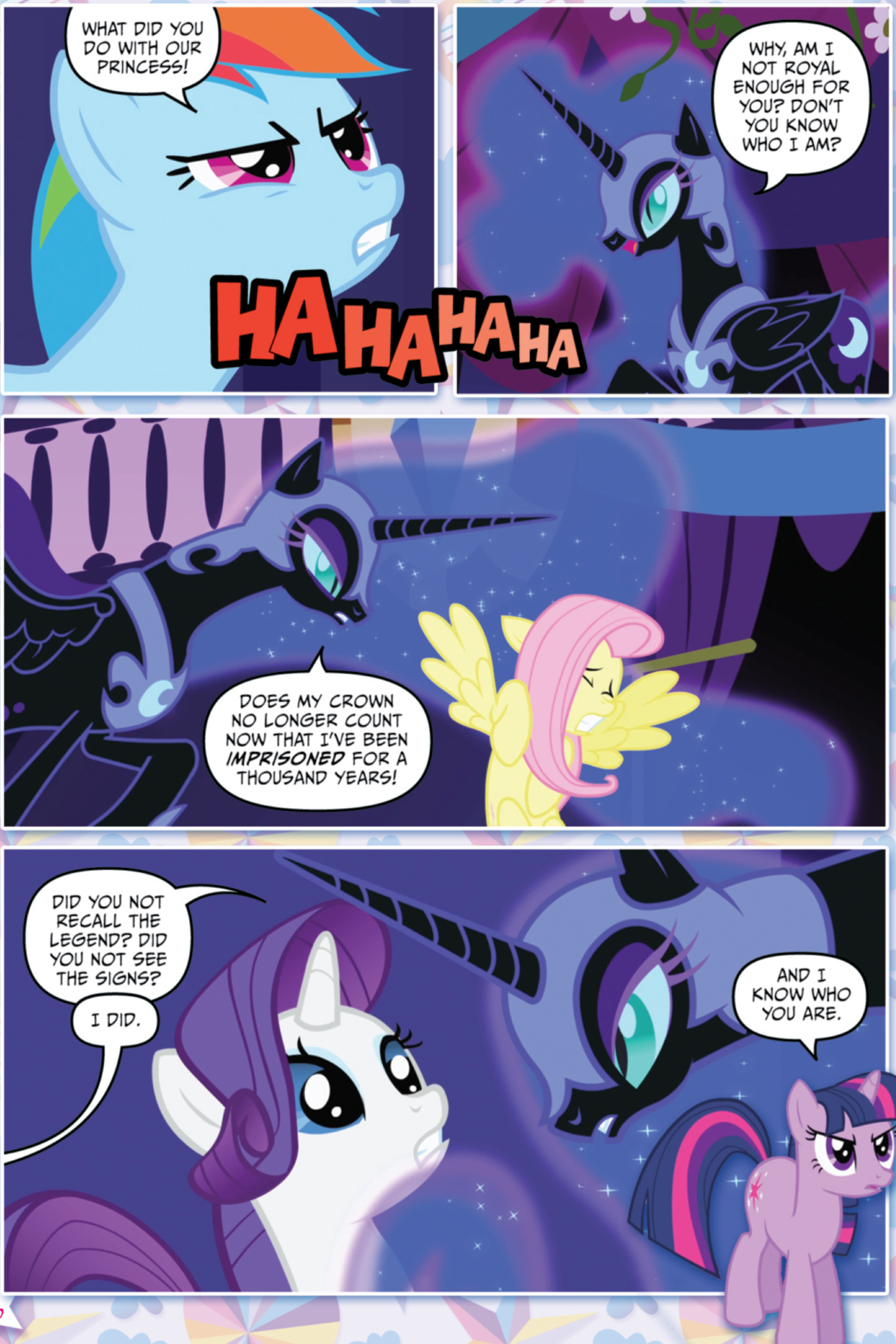

SHE'S GONE!
GASP

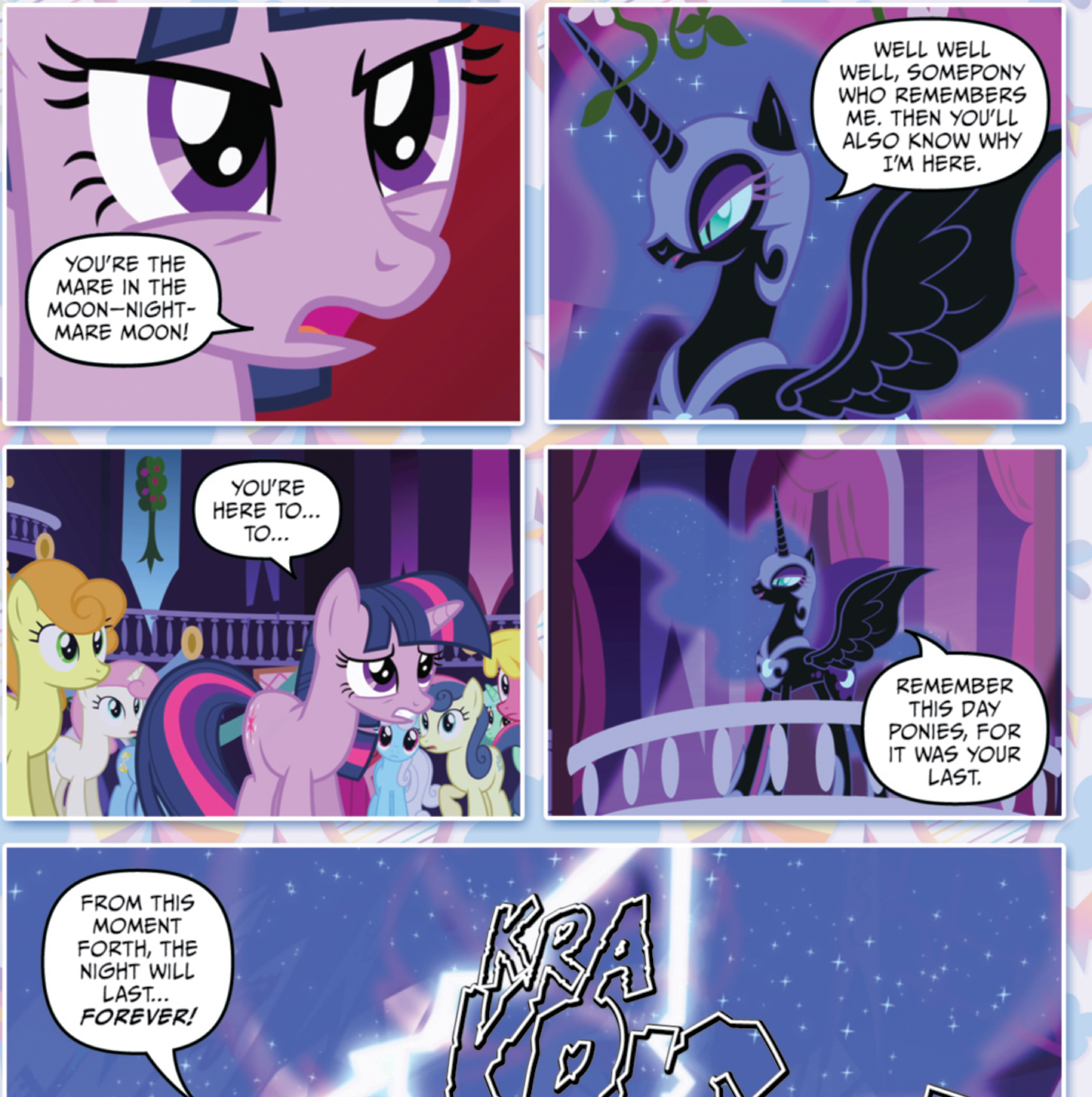

OH NO—

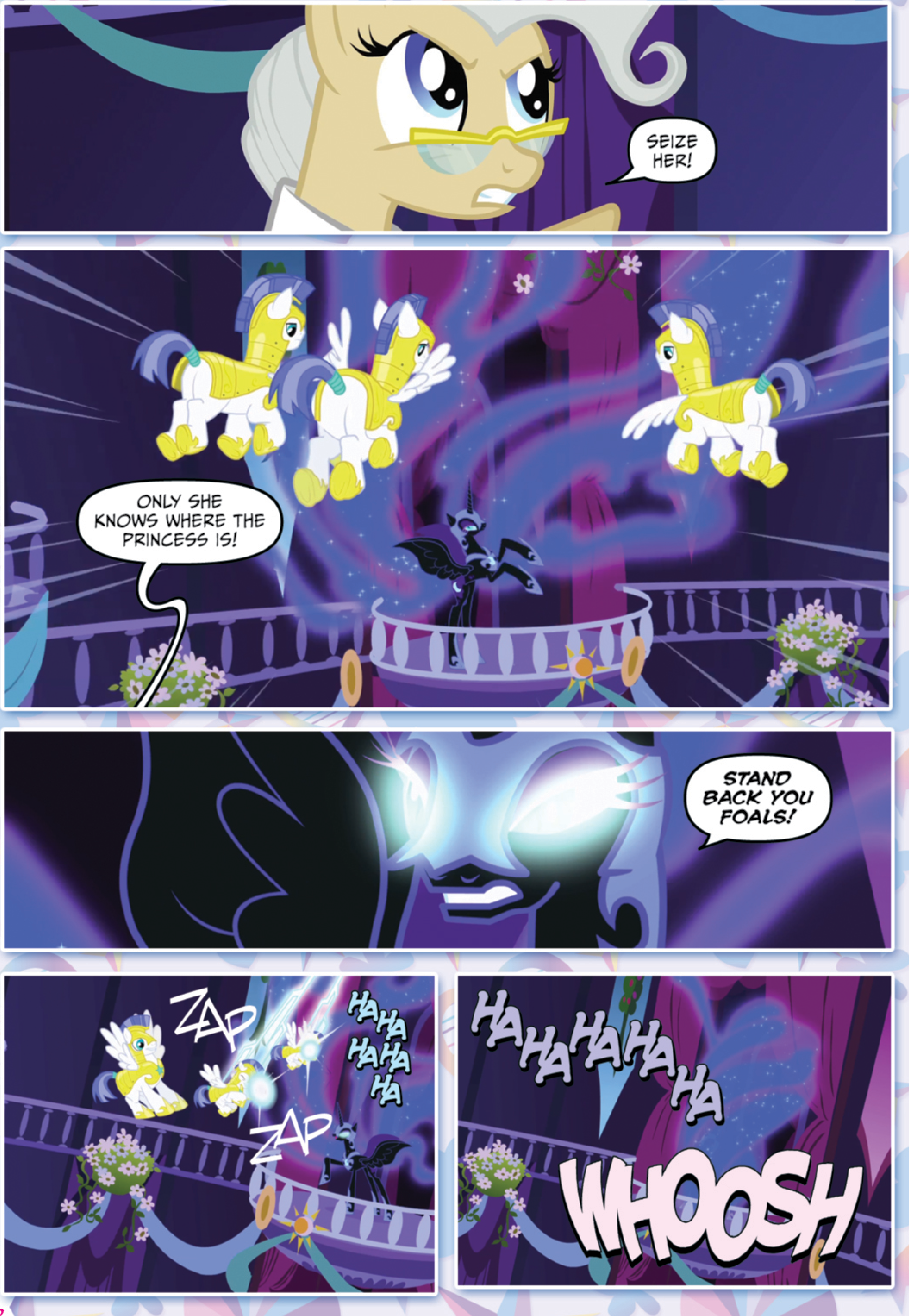

—NIGHT-MARE MOON!

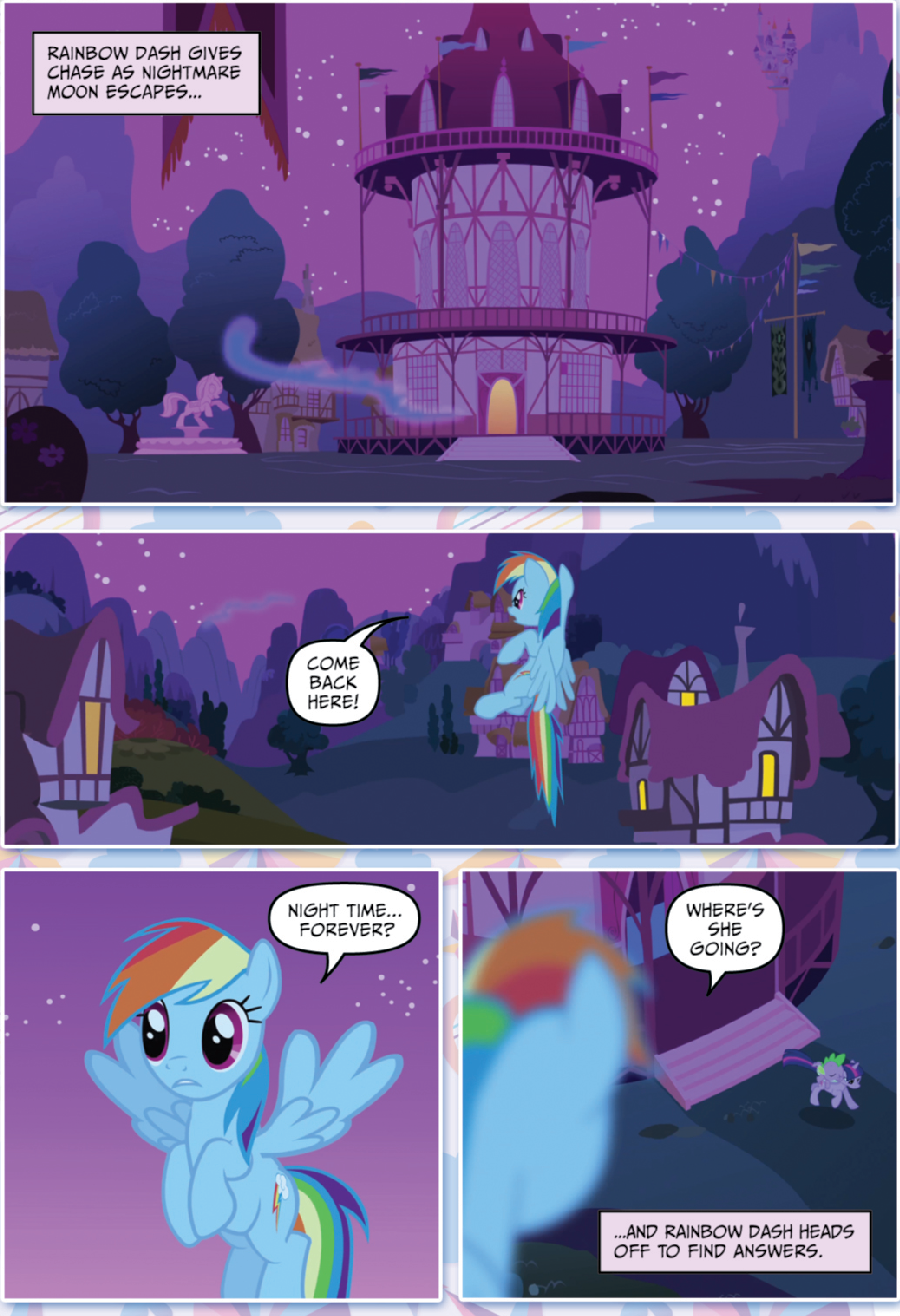

OOOOOOH MY BELOVED SUBJECTS. IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE SEEN...

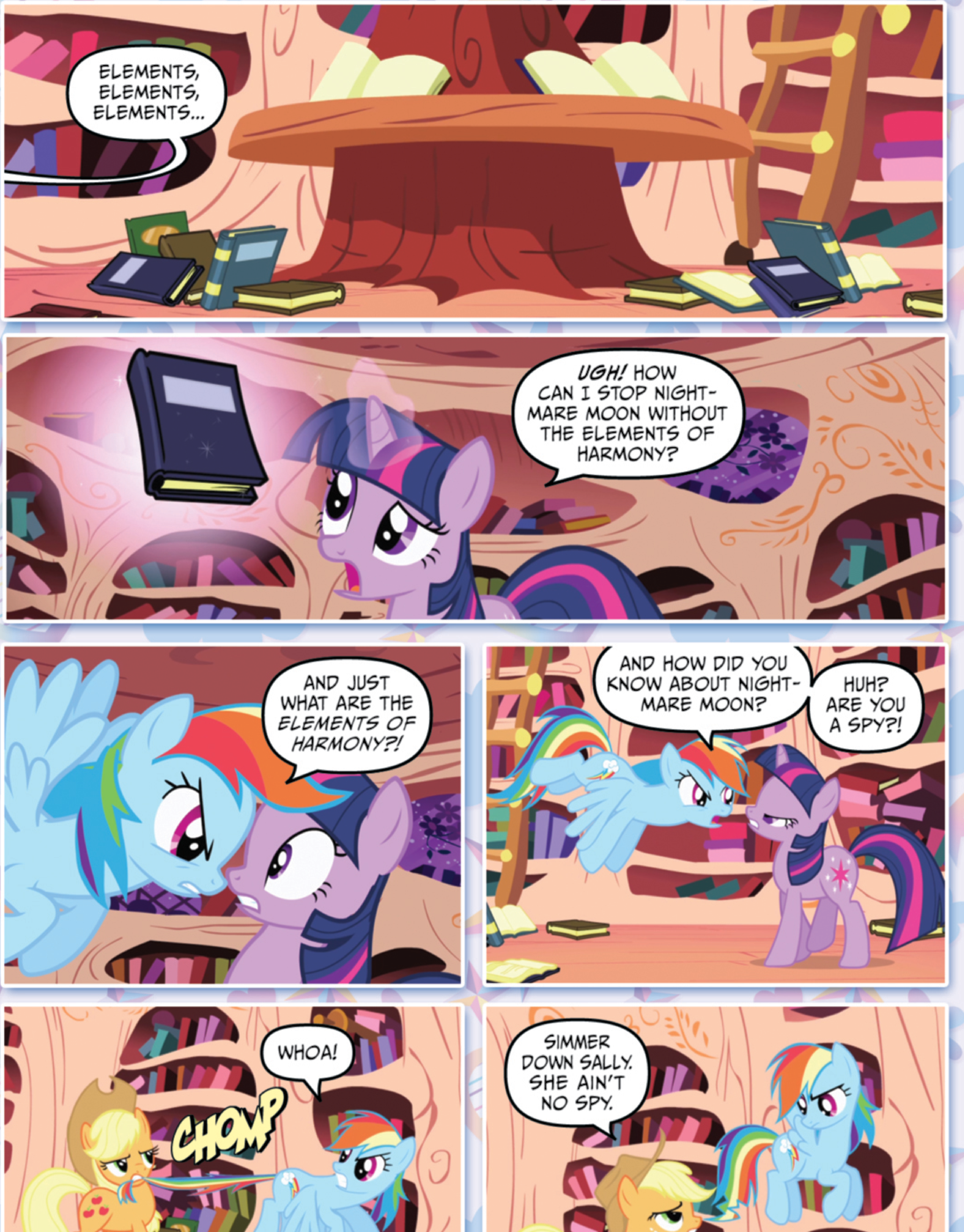

...YOUR PRECIOUS, LITTLE *SUN-LOVING* FACES.

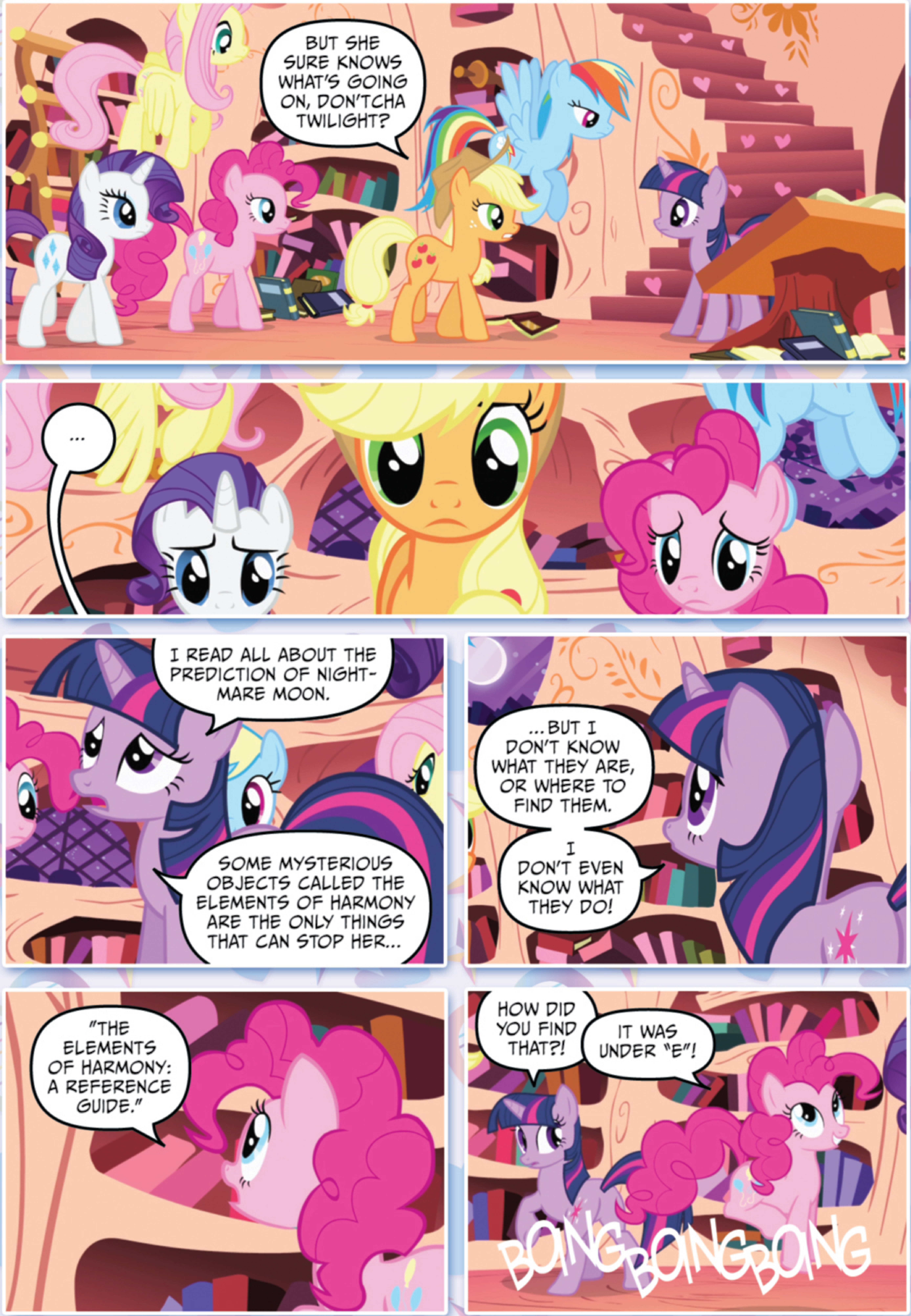

WHAT DID YOU DO WITH OUR PRINCESS!
WHY, AM I NOT ROYAL ENOUGH FOR YOU? DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM?
HAHAHAHAHA
DOES MY CROWN NO LONGER COUNT NOW THAT I'VE BEEN *IMPRISONED* FOR A THOUSAND YEARS!
DID YOU NOT RECALL THE LEGEND? DID YOU NOT SEE THE SIGNS?
I DID.
AND I KNOW WHO YOU ARE.

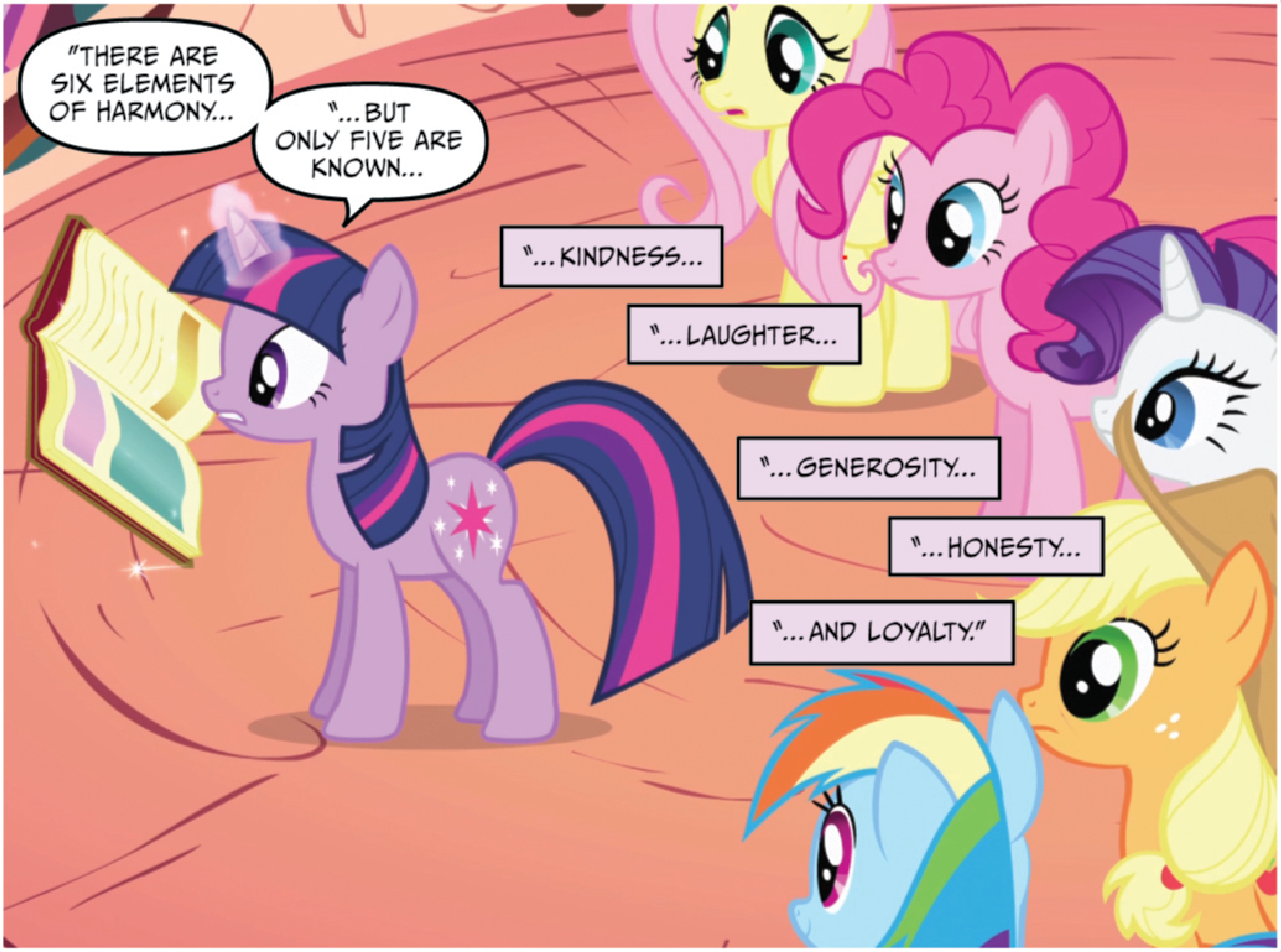

YOU'RE THE MARE IN THE MOON—NIGHT-MARE MOON!
WELL WELL WELL, SOMEPONY WHO REMEMBERS ME. THEN YOU'LL ALSO KNOW WHY I'M HERE.
YOU'RE HERE TO... TO...
REMEMBER THIS DAY PONIES, FOR IT WAS YOUR LAST.
FROM THIS MOMENT FORTH, THE NIGHT WILL LAST... *FOREVER!*
KRA KRASH!

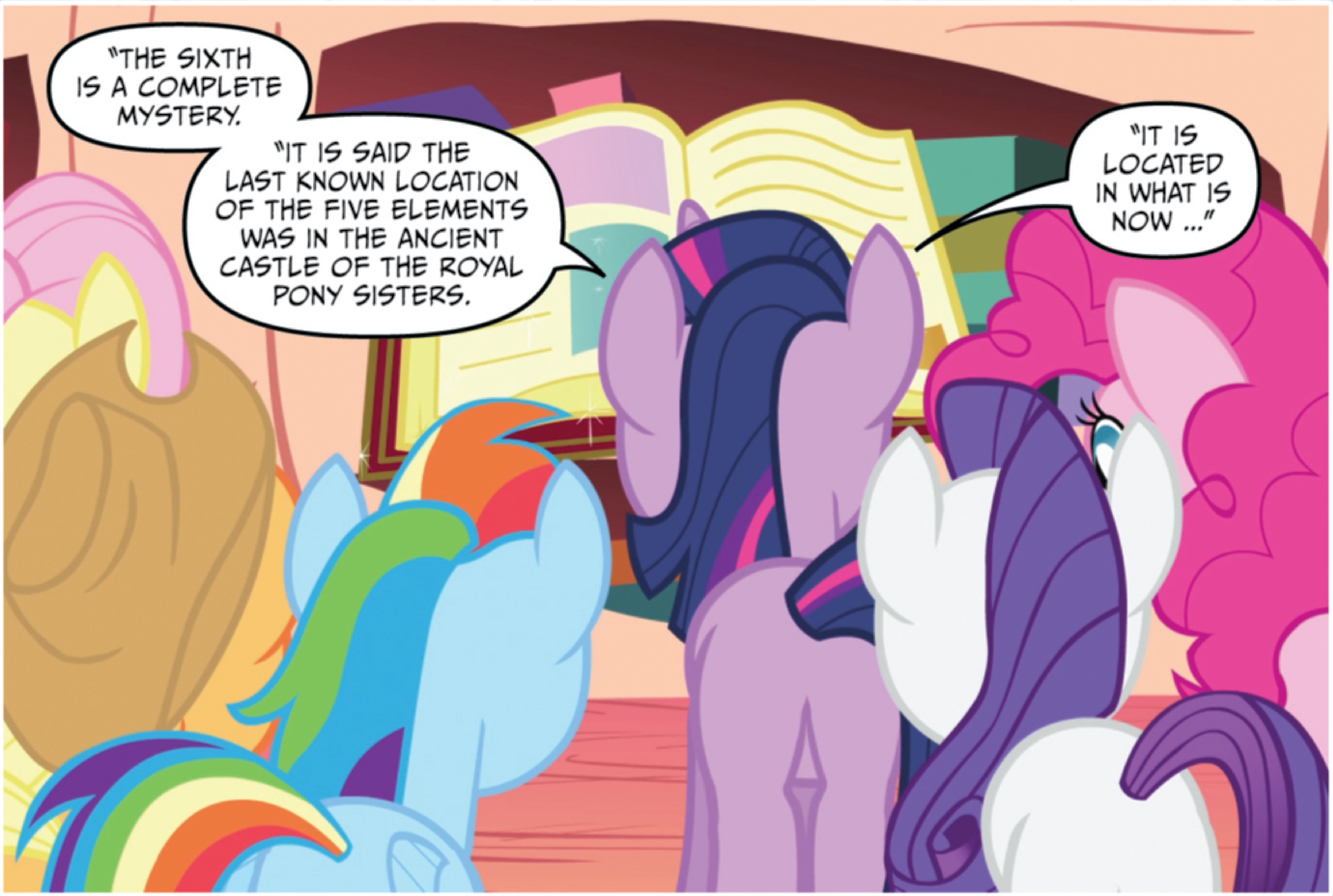

SEIZE HER!
ONLY SHE KNOWS WHERE THE PRINCESS IS!
STAND BACK YOU FOALS!
ZAP
HA HA HA HA HA
ZAP
HAHAHAHAHAHA
WHOOSH

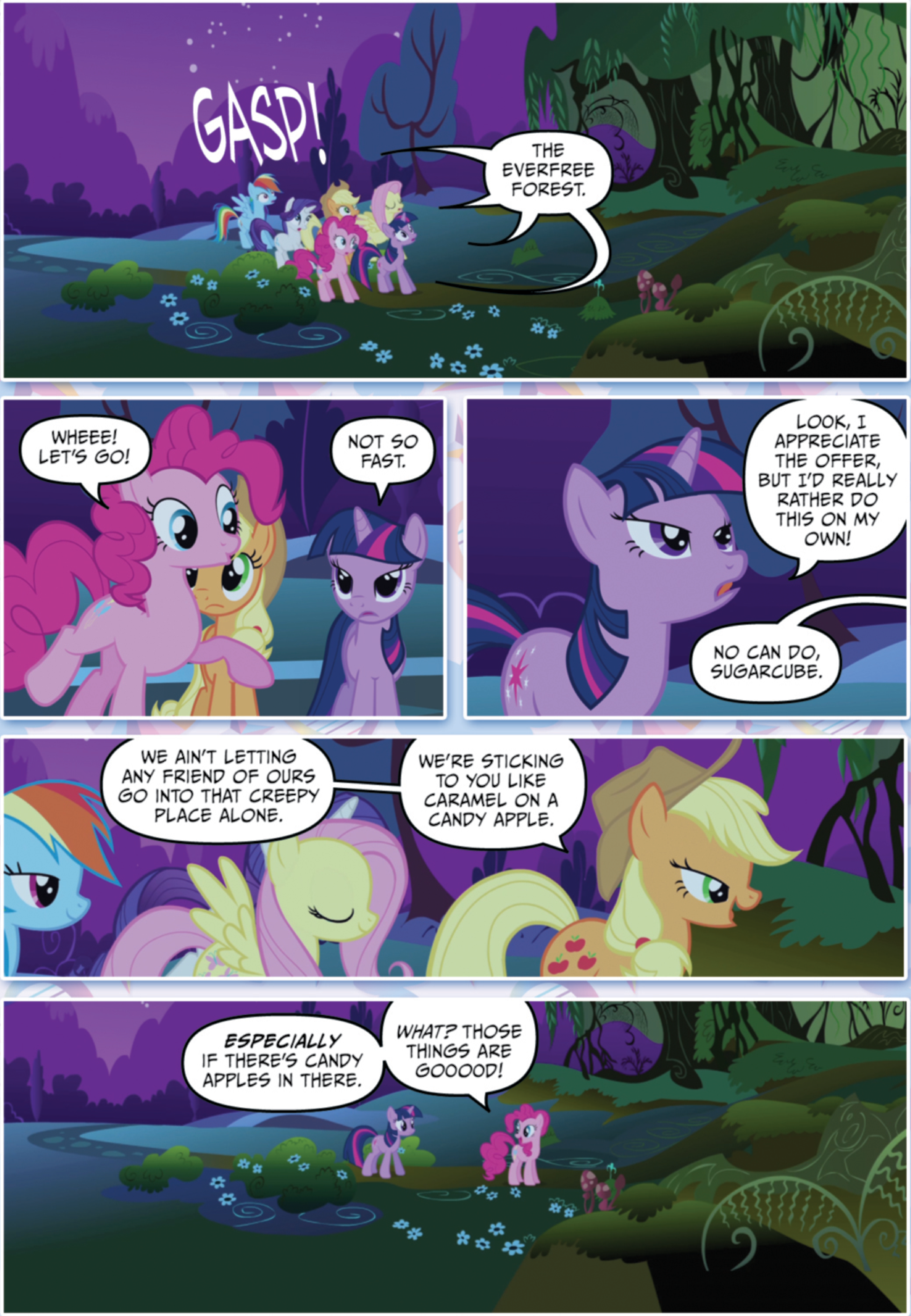

RAINBOW DASH GIVES CHASE AS NIGHTMARE MOON ESCAPES...
COME BACK HERE!
NIGHT TIME... FOREVER?
WHERE'S SHE GOING?
...AND RAINBOW DASH HEADS OFF TO FIND ANSWERS.

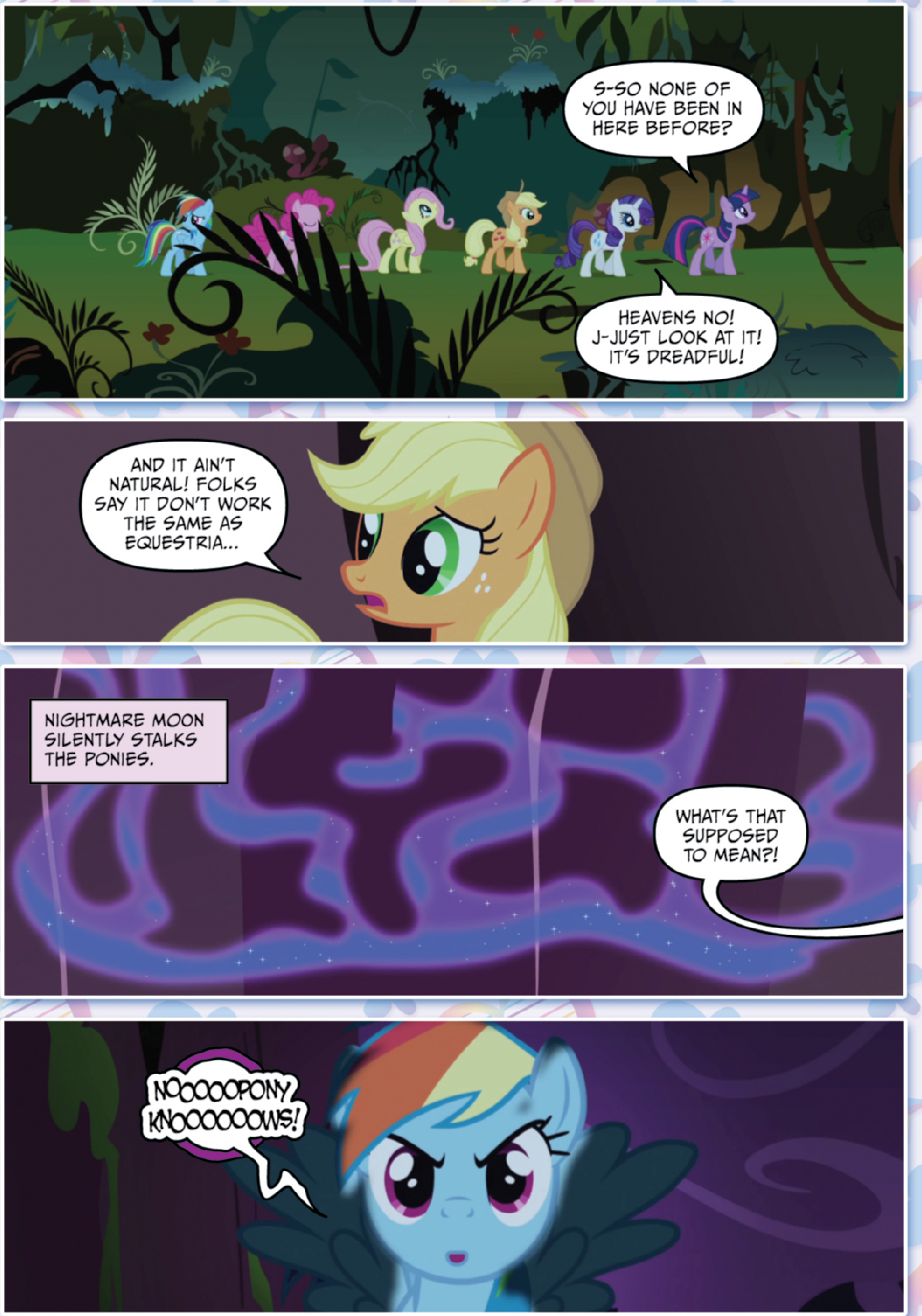

ELEMENTS, ELEMENTS, ELEMENTS...
UGH! HOW CAN I STOP NIGHTMARE MOON WITHOUT THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY?
AND JUST WHAT ARE THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY?!
AND HOW DID YOU KNOW ABOUT NIGHTMARE MOON?
HUH? ARE YOU A SPY?!
WHOA!
CHOMP
SIMMER DOWN SALLY. SHE AIN'T NO SPY.

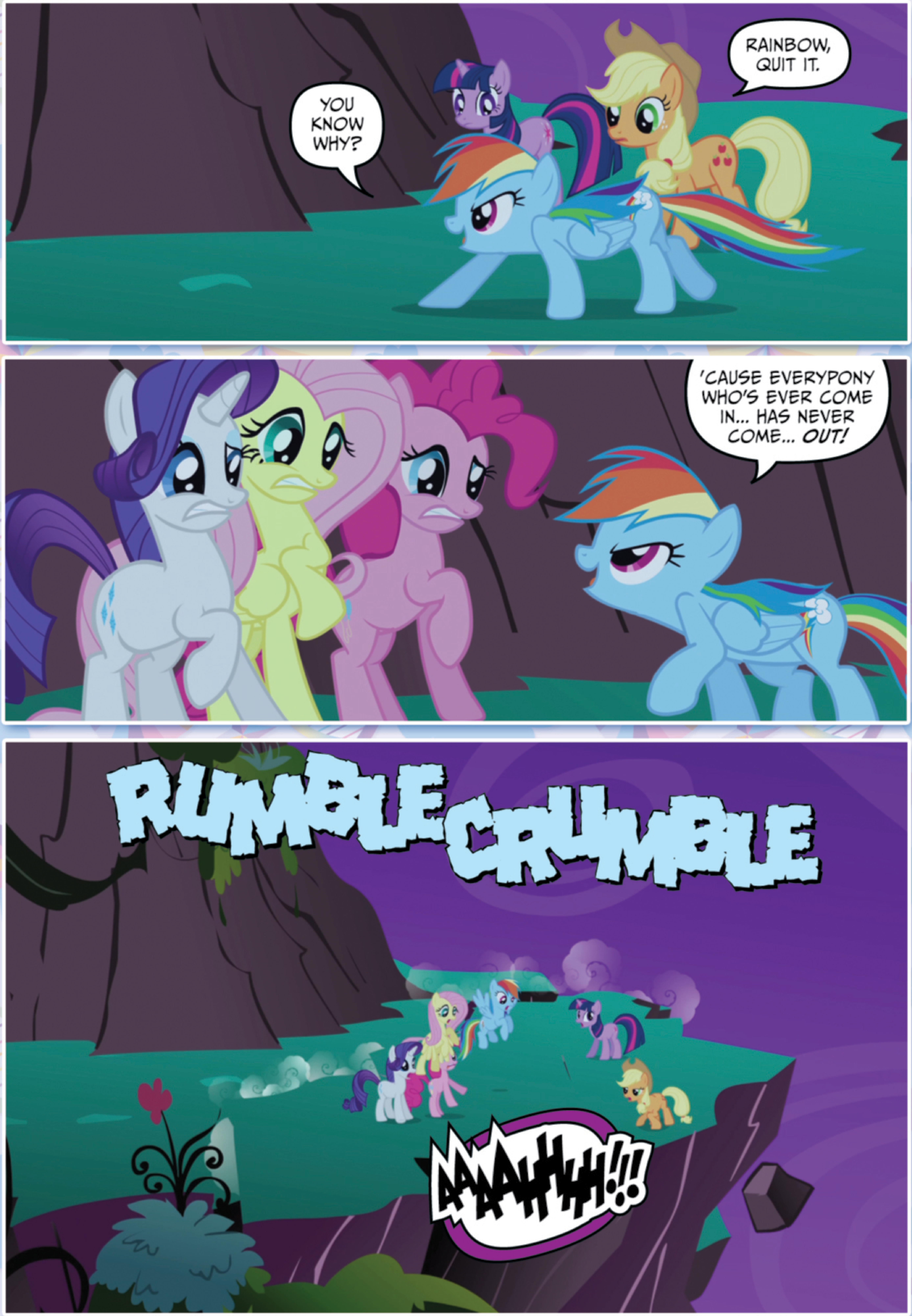

BUT SHE SURE KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON, DON'TCHA TWILIGHT?
...
I READ ALL ABOUT THE PREDICTION OF NIGHTMARE MOON.
SOME MYSTERIOUS OBJECTS CALLED THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY ARE THE ONLY THINGS THAT CAN STOP HER...
...BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY ARE, OR WHERE TO FIND THEM.
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THEY DO!
"THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY: A REFERENCE GUIDE."
HOW DID YOU FIND THAT?!
IT WAS UNDER "E"!
BOING BOING BOING

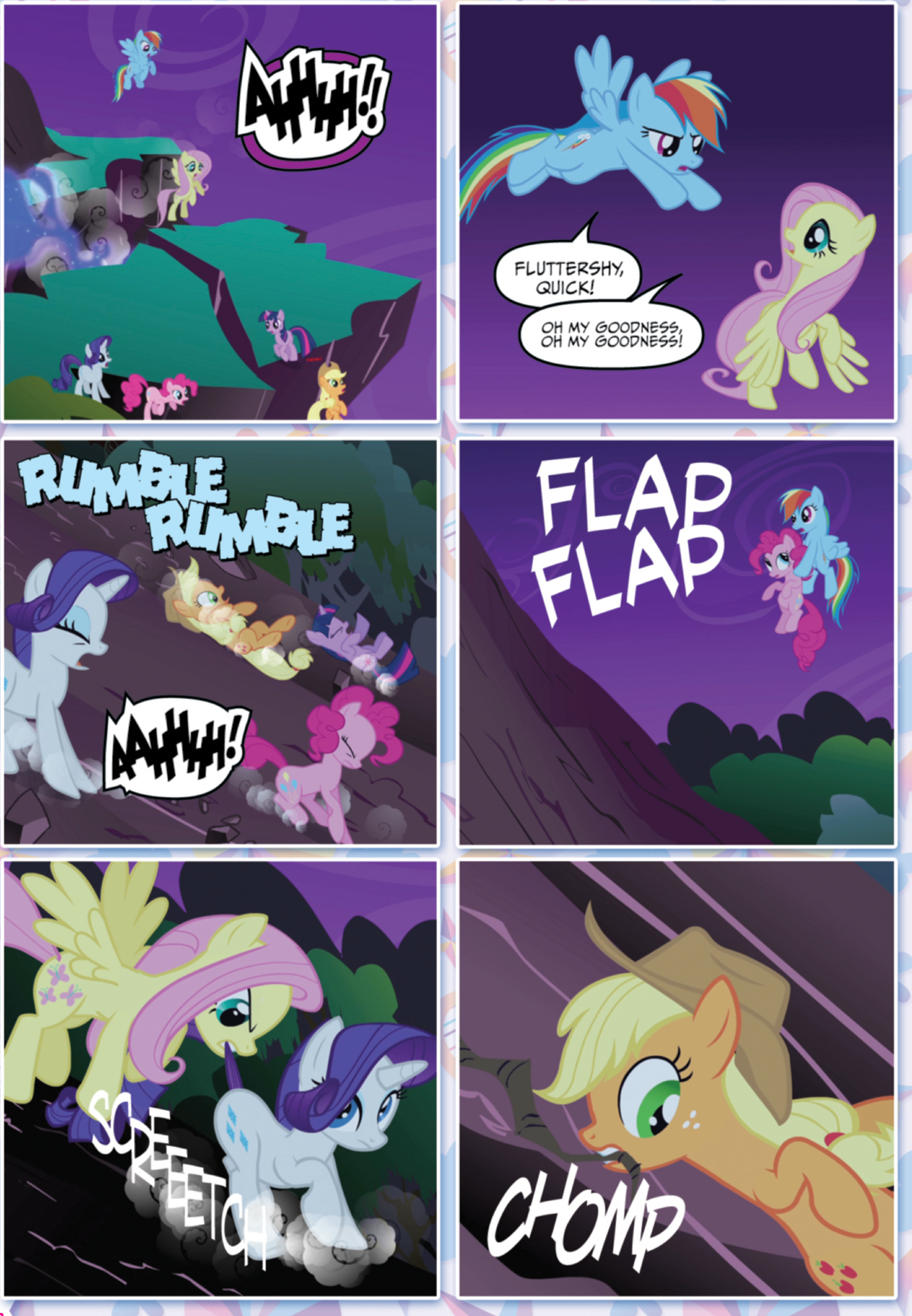

"THERE ARE SIX ELEMENTS OF HARMONY...
"...BUT ONLY FIVE ARE KNOWN...
"...KINDNESS...
"...LAUGHTER...
"...GENEROSITY...
"...HONESTY...
"...AND LOYALTY."

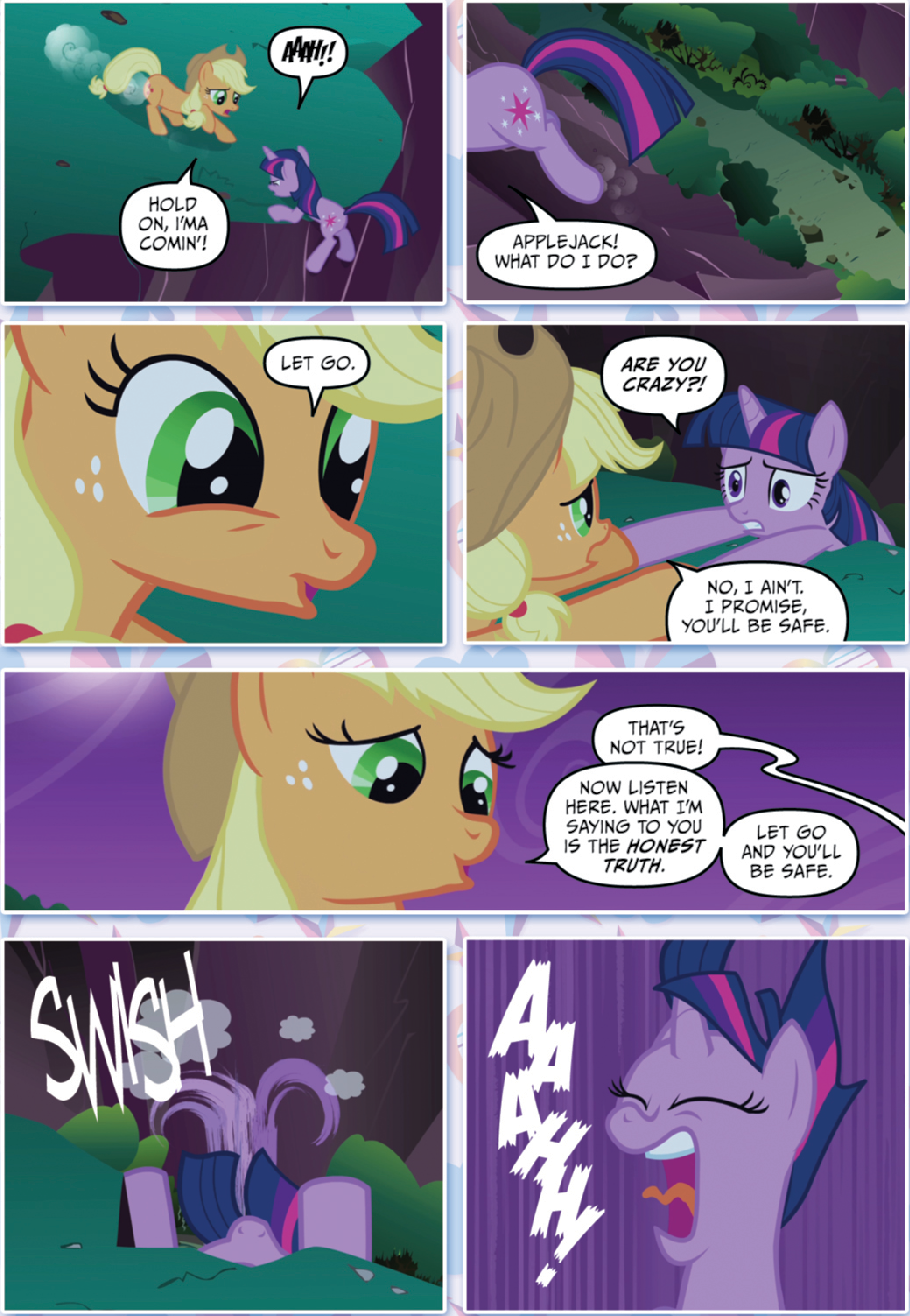

"THE SIXTH IS A COMPLETE MYSTERY.
"IT IS SAID THE LAST KNOWN LOCATION OF THE FIVE ELEMENTS WAS IN THE ANCIENT CASTLE OF THE ROYAL PONY SISTERS.
"IT IS LOCATED IN WHAT IS NOW ..."

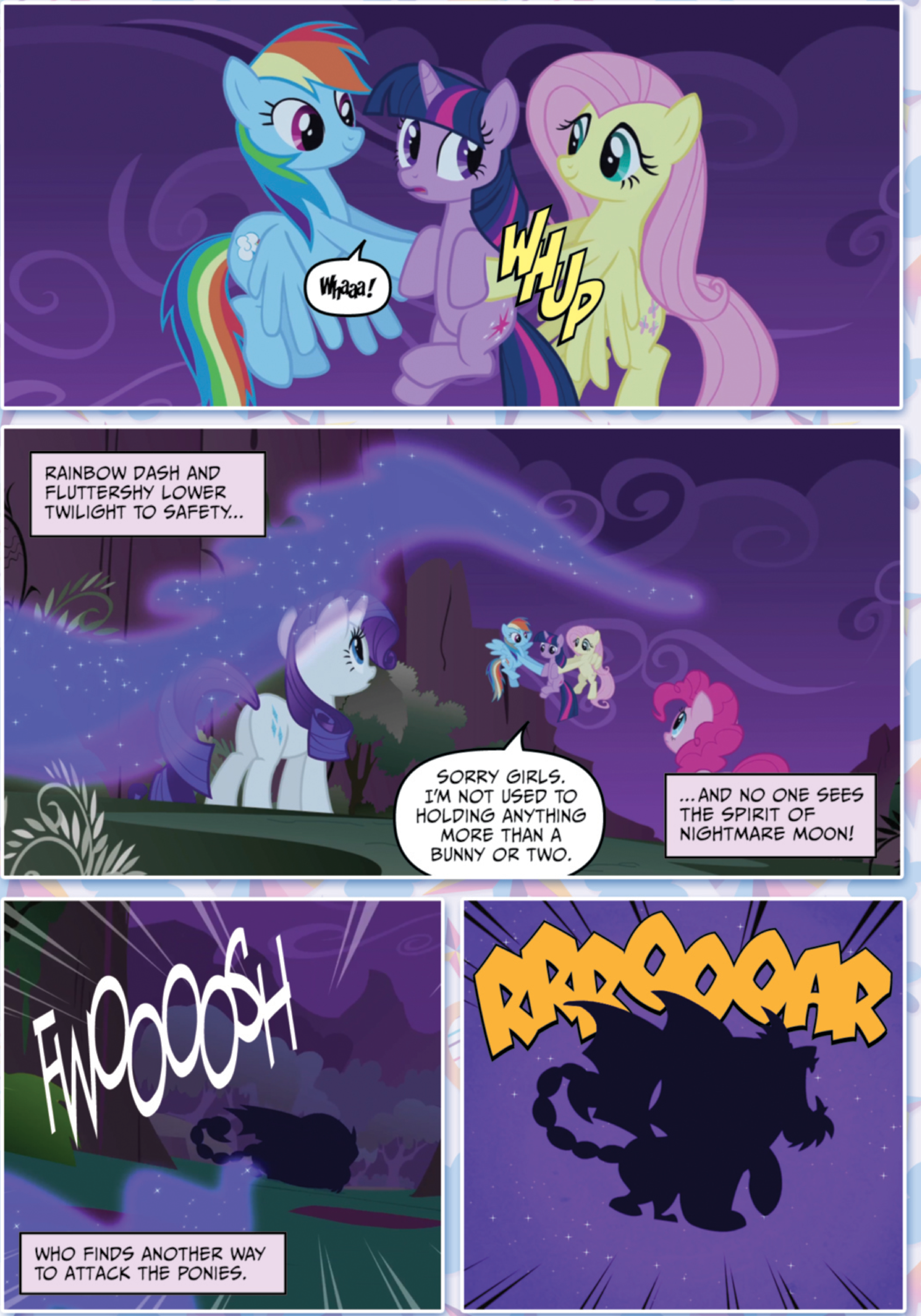

GASP!
THE EVERFREE FOREST.
WHEEE! LET'S GO!
NOT SO FAST.
LOOK, I APPRECIATE THE OFFER, BUT I'D REALLY RATHER DO THIS ON MY OWN!
NO CAN DO, SUGARCUBE.
WE AIN'T LETTING ANY FRIEND OF OURS GO INTO THAT CREEPY PLACE ALONE.
WE'RE STICKING TO YOU LIKE CARAMEL ON A CANDY APPLE.
ESPECIALLY IF THERE'S CANDY APPLES IN THERE.
WHAT? THOSE THINGS ARE GOOOOD!

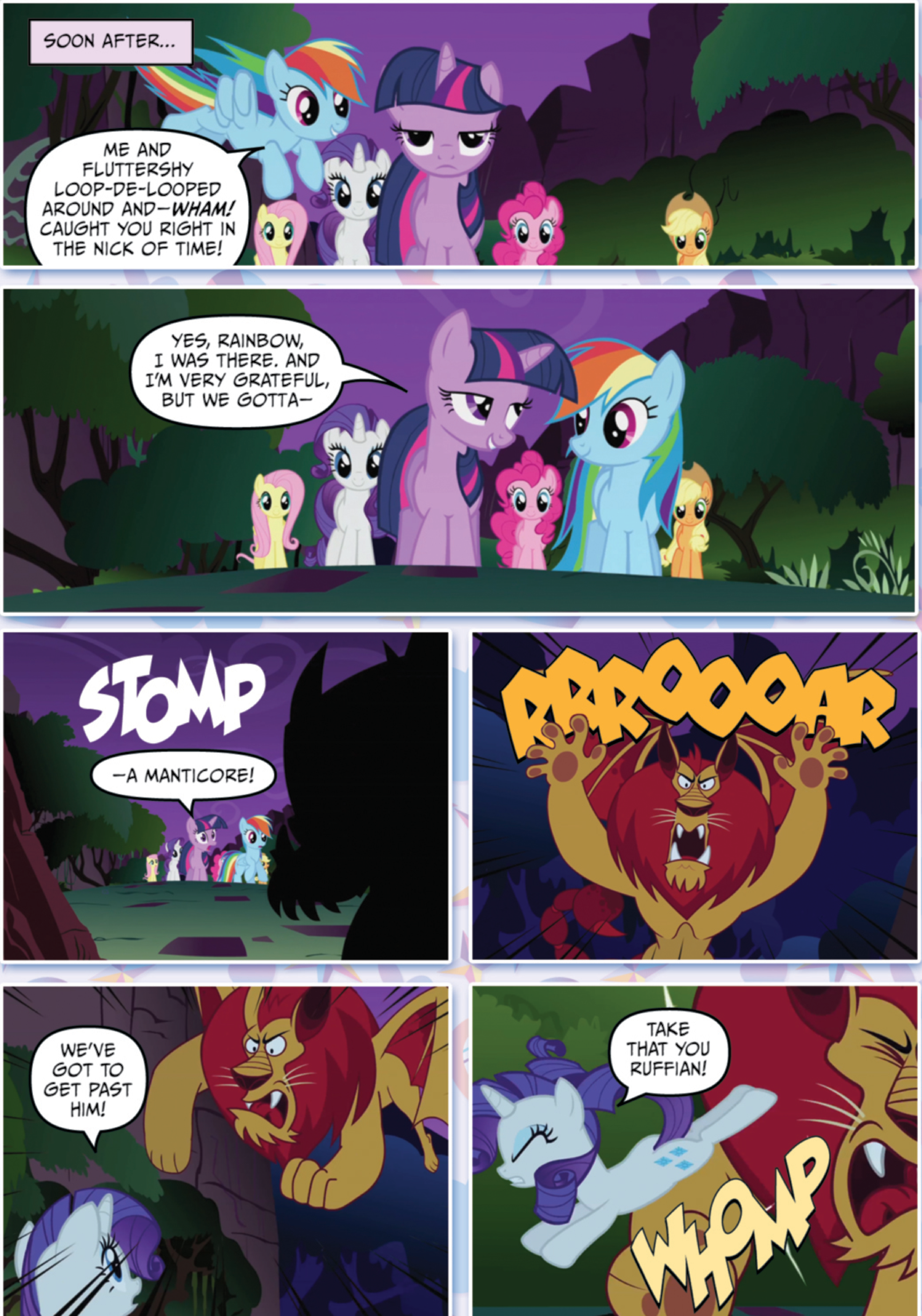

S-SO NONE OF YOU HAVE BEEN IN HERE BEFORE?
HEAVENS NO! J-JUST LOOK AT IT! IT'S DREADFUL!
AND IT AIN'T NATURAL! FOLKS SAY IT DON'T WORK THE SAME AS EQUESTRIA...
NIGHTMARE MOON SILENTLY STALKS THE PONIES.
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
NOOOOOPONY KNOOOOOOWS!

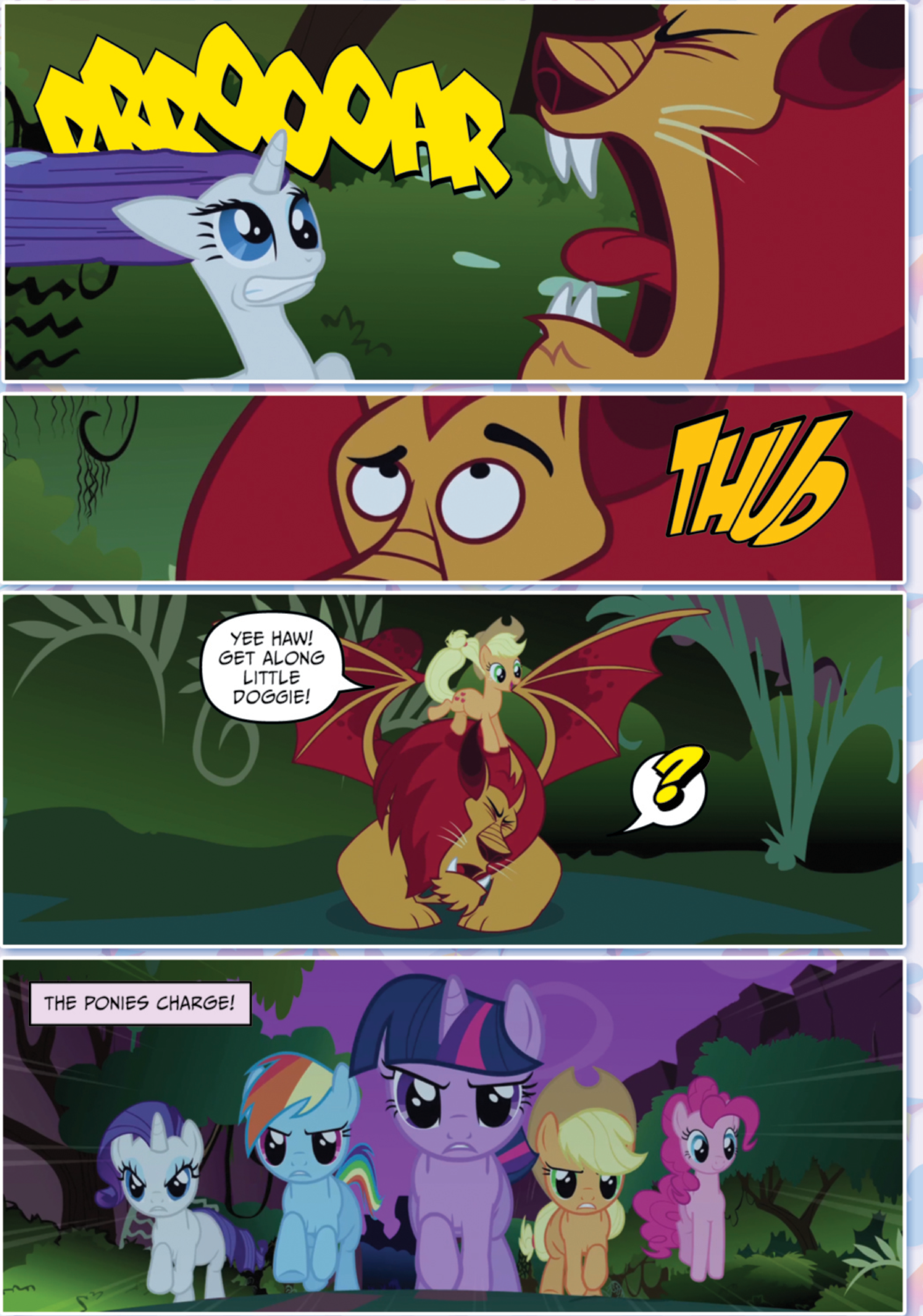

YOU KNOW WHY?
RAINBOW, QUIT IT.
'CAUSE EVERYPONY WHO'S EVER COME IN... HAS NEVER COME... *OUT!*
RUMBLE CRUMBLE
AAAAHHH!!!

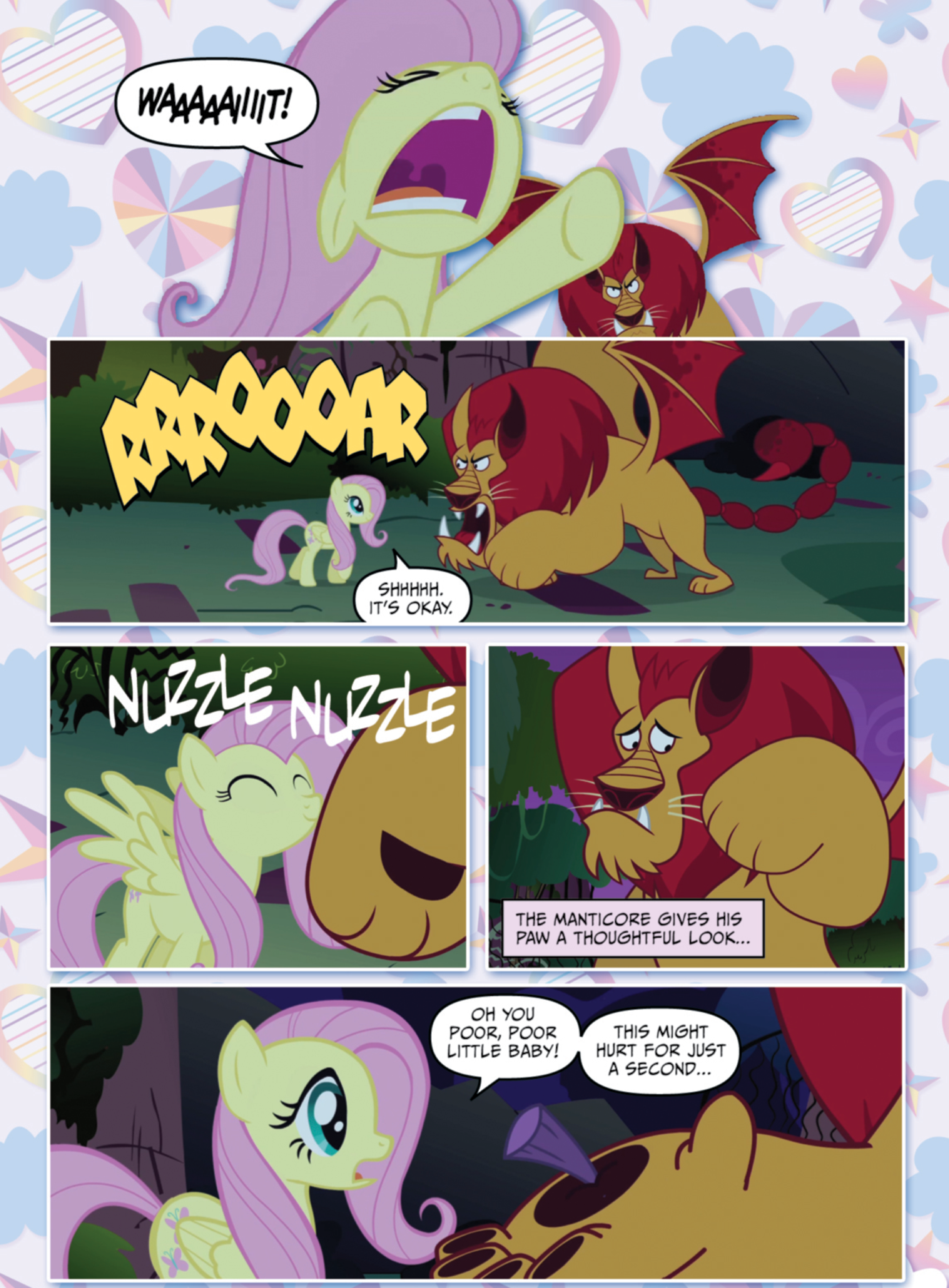

AHHHH!!
FLUTTERSHY, QUICK!
OH MY GOODNESS, OH MY GOODNESS!
RUMBLE RUMBLE
AAHHH!
FLAP FLAP
SCREEETCH
CHOMP

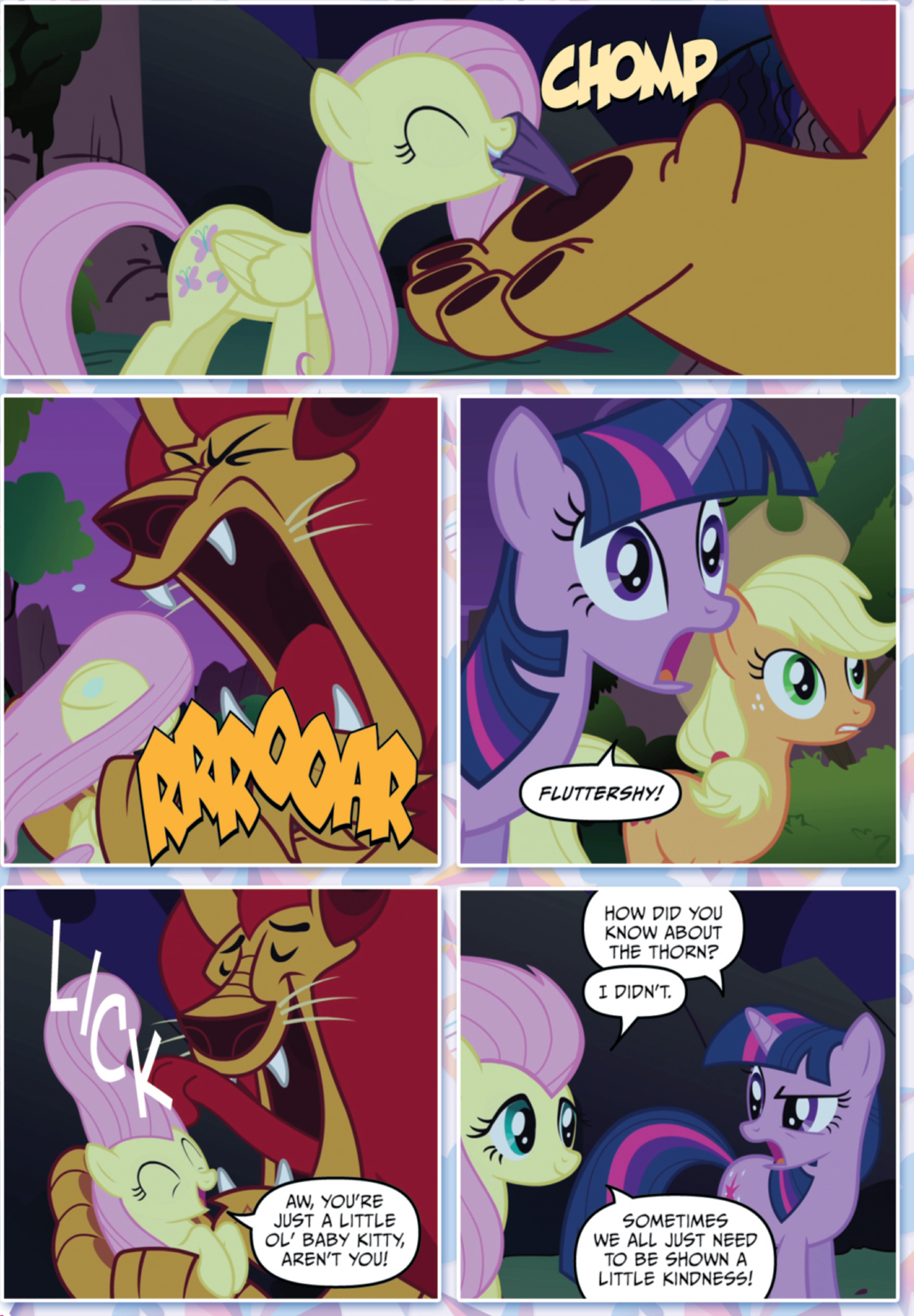

AAAH!!
HOLD ON, I'MA COMIN'!
APPLEJACK! WHAT DO I DO?
LET GO.
ARE YOU CRAZY?!
NO, I AIN'T. I PROMISE, YOU'LL BE SAFE.
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
NOW LISTEN HERE. WHAT I'M SAYING TO YOU IS THE *HONEST TRUTH.*
LET GO AND YOU'LL BE SAFE.
SWISH
AAAHH!

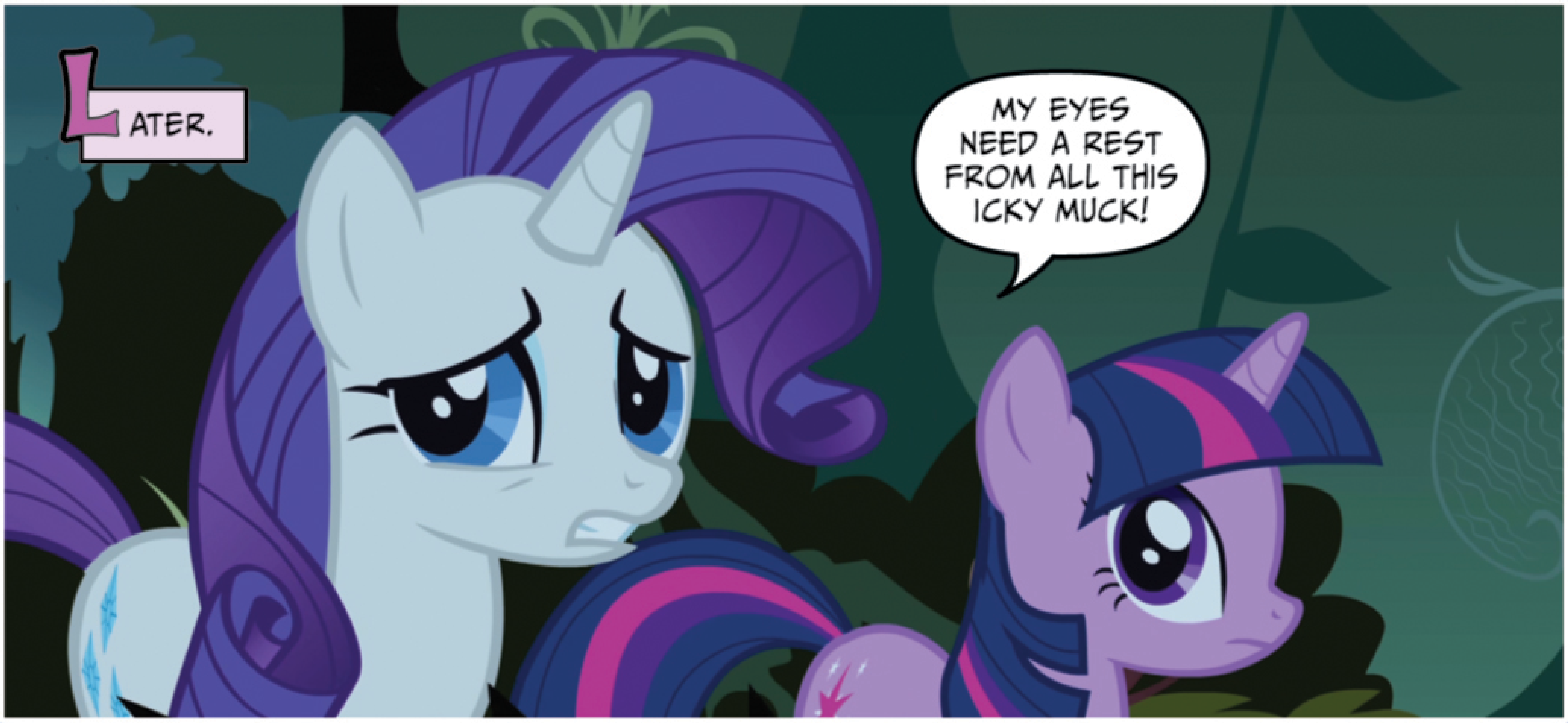

Whaaa!
WHUP
RAINBOW DASH AND FLUTTERSHY LOWER TWILIGHT TO SAFETY...
SORRY GIRLS. I'M NOT USED TO HOLDING ANYTHING MORE THAN A BUNNY OR TWO.
...AND NO ONE SEES THE SPIRIT OF NIGHTMARE MOON!
FWOOOSH
WHO FINDS ANOTHER WAY TO ATTACK THE PONIES.
RRROOOAR

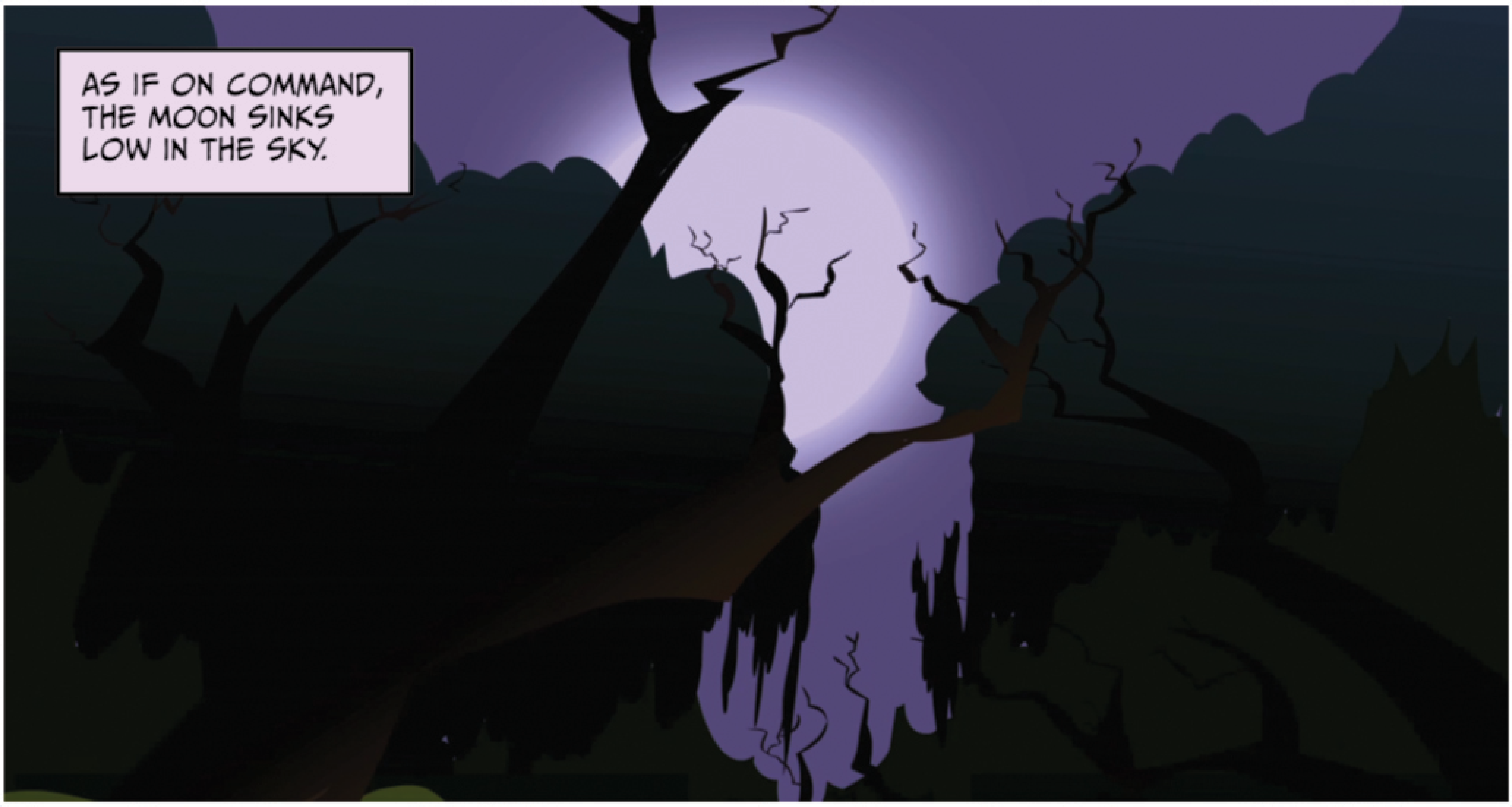

SOON AFTER...
ME AND FLUTTERSHY LOOP-DE-LOOPED AROUND AND—*WHAM!* CAUGHT YOU RIGHT IN THE NICK OF TIME!
YES, RAINBOW, I WAS THERE. AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL, BUT WE GOTTA—
STOMP
—A MANTICORE!
RRROOOOAR
WE'VE GOT TO GET PAST HIM!
TAKE THAT YOU RUFFIAN!
WHOMP

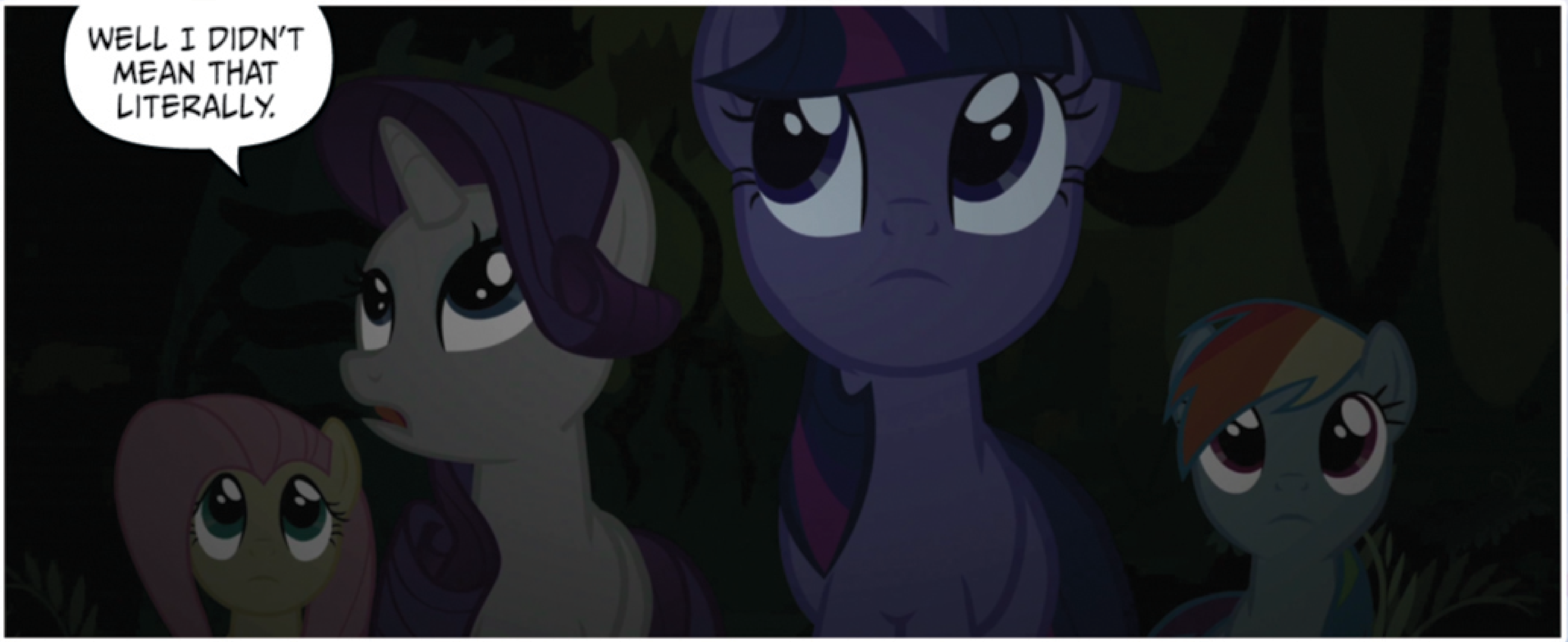

RRROOOAR
THUD
YEE HAW! GET ALONG LITTLE DOGGIE!
?
THE PONIES CHARGE!

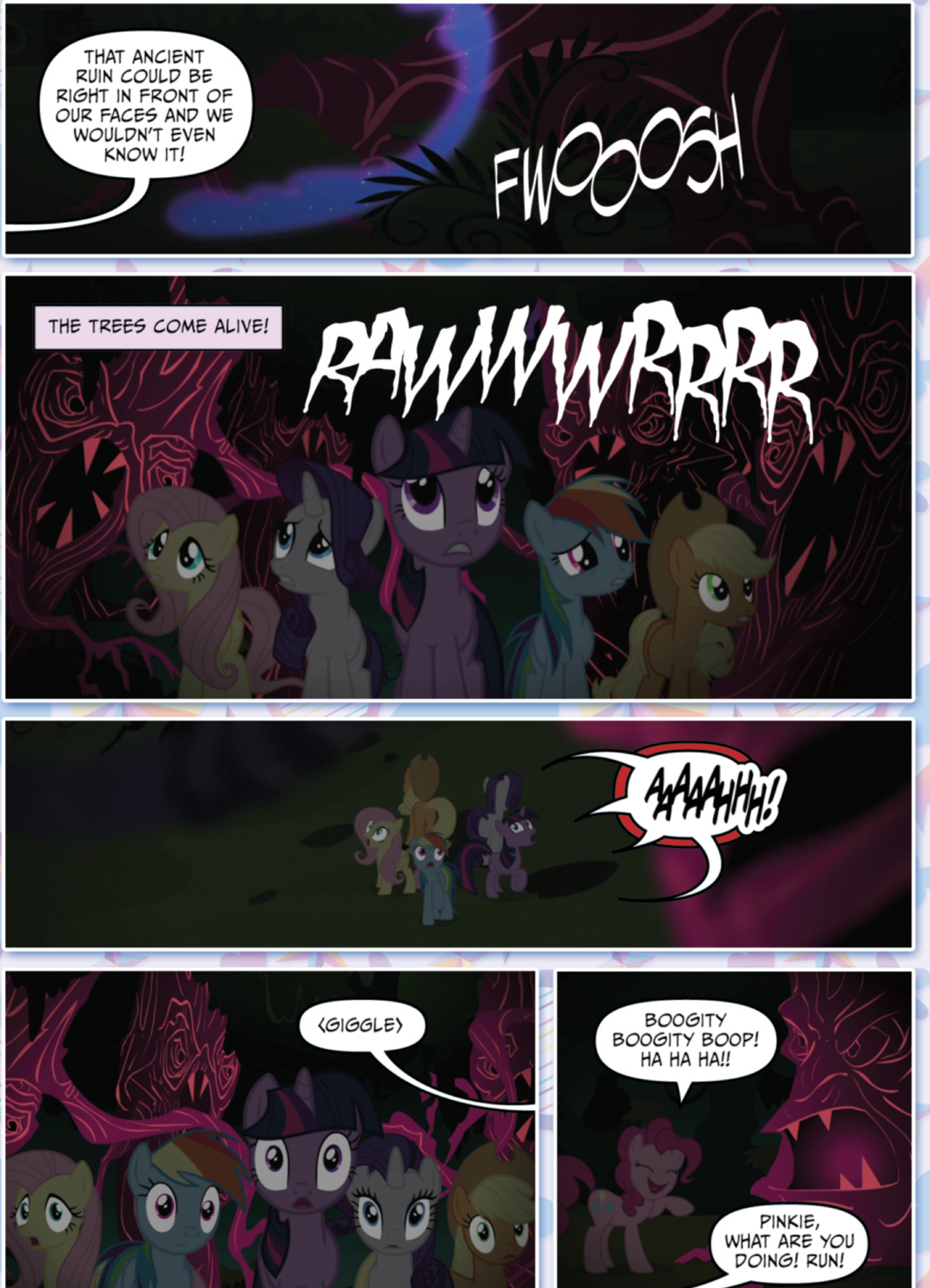

WAAAAAIIIIT!
RRROOOAR
SHHHHH. IT'S OKAY.
NUZZLE NUZZLE
THE MANTICORE GIVES HIS PAW A THOUGHTFUL LOOK...
OH YOU POOR, POOR LITTLE BABY!
THIS MIGHT HURT FOR JUST A SECOND...

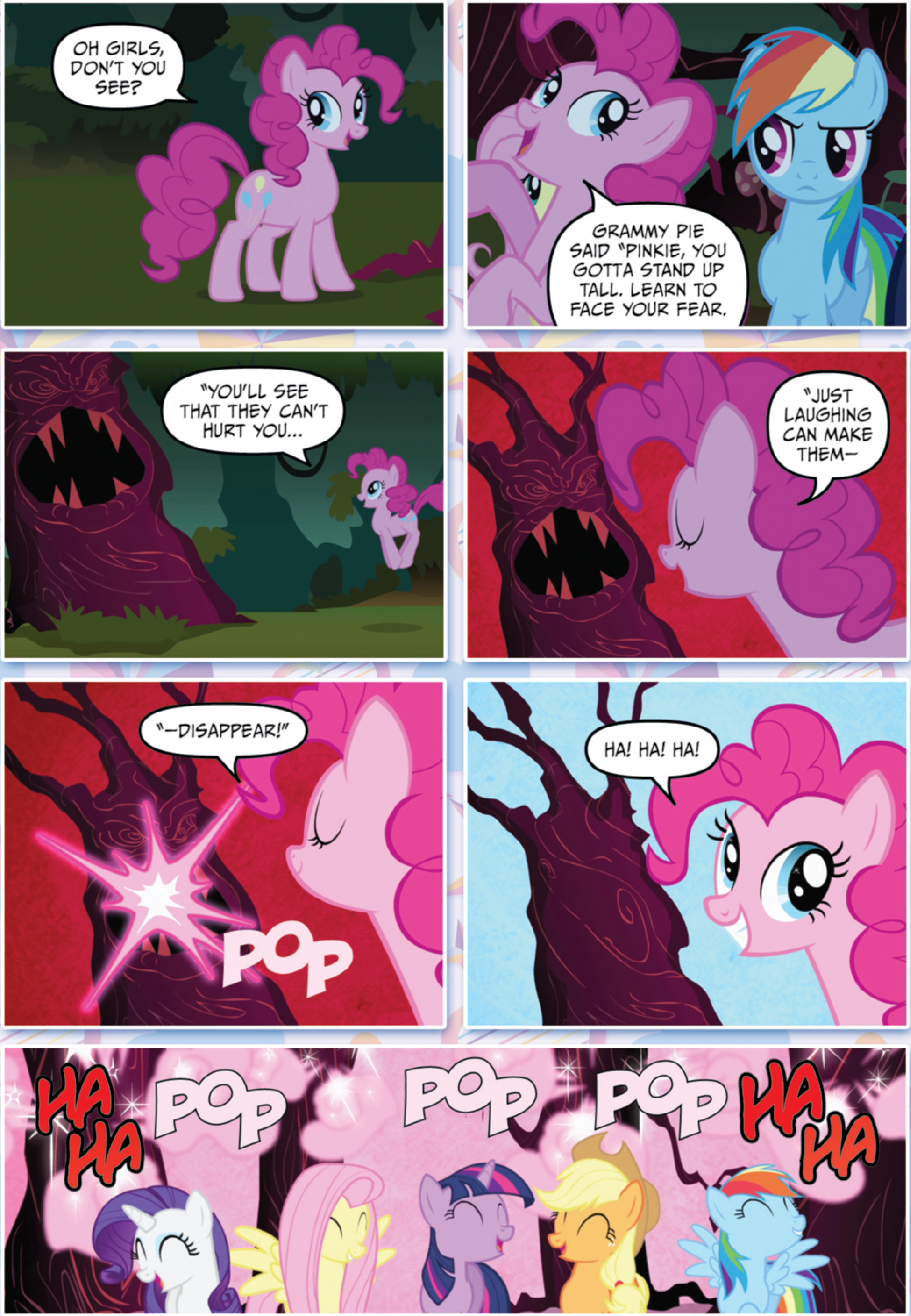

CHOMP
RRROOAR
FLUTTERSHY!
LICK
AW, YOU'RE JUST A LITTLE OL' BABY KITTY, AREN'T YOU!
HOW DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THE THORN?
I DIDN'T.
SOMETIMES WE ALL JUST NEED TO BE SHOWN A LITTLE KINDNESS!

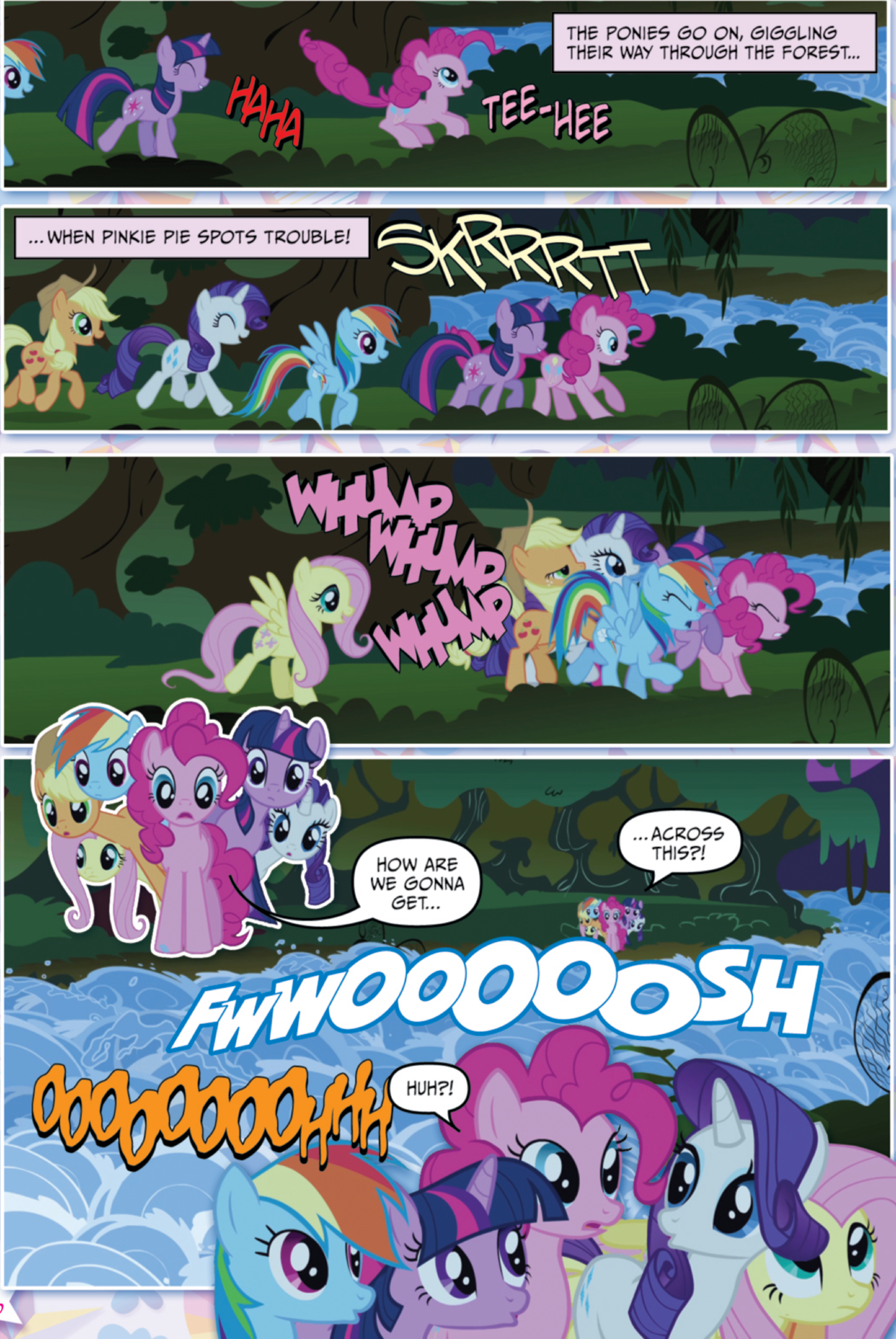

LATER.
MY EYES NEED A REST FROM ALL THIS ICKY MUCK!

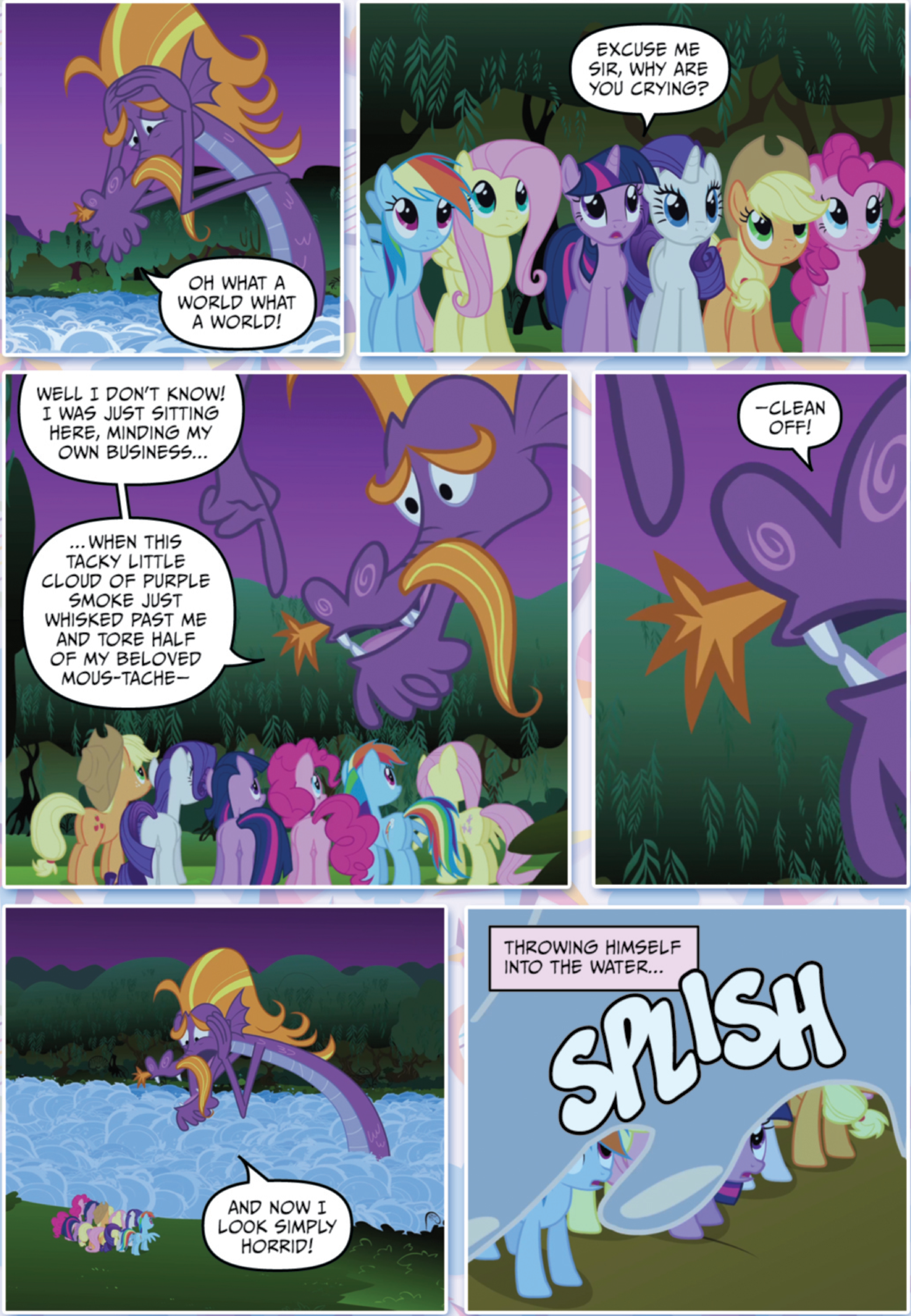

AS IF ON COMMAND, THE MOON SINKS LOW IN THE SKY.

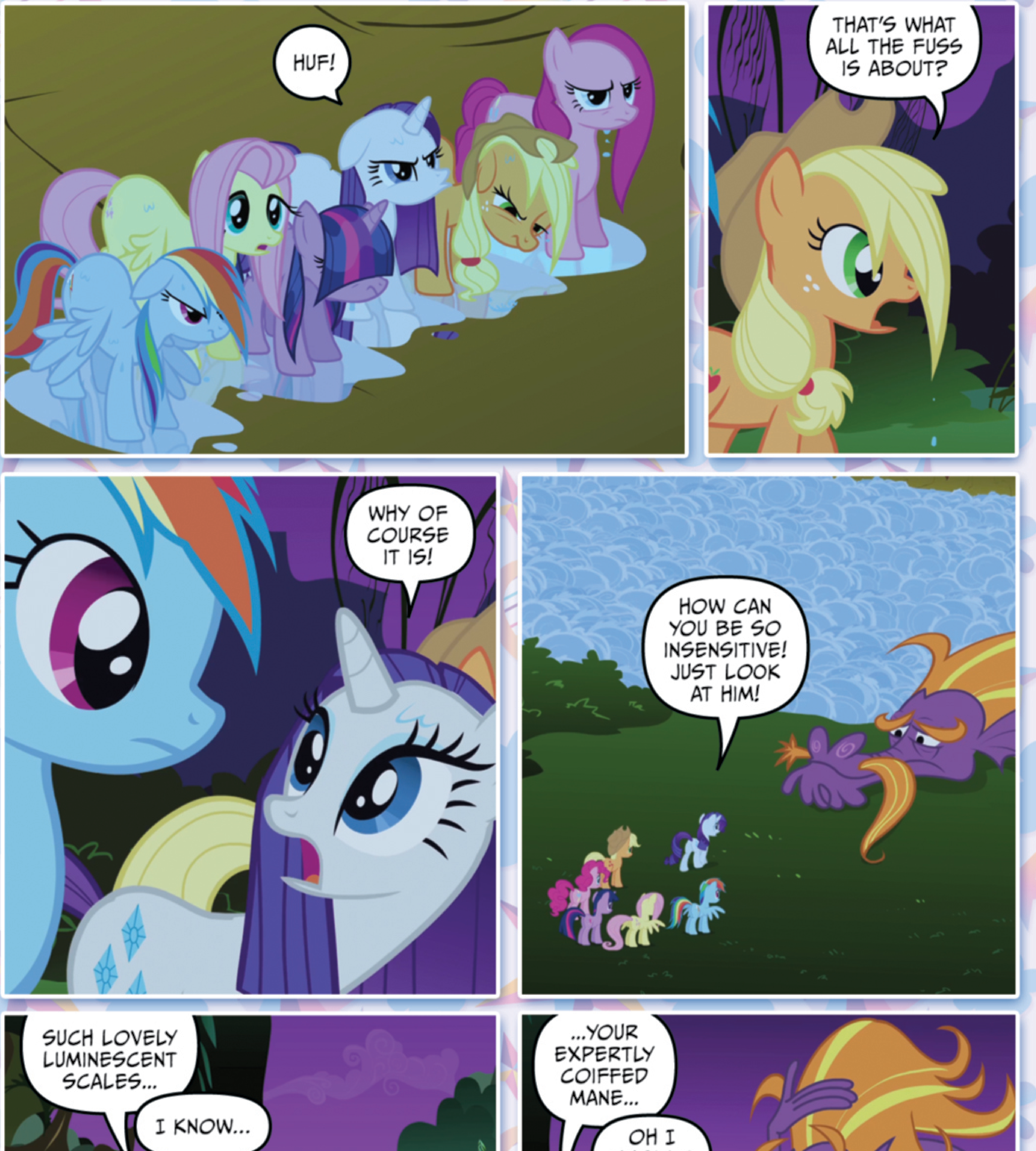

WELL I DIDN'T MEAN THAT LITERALLY.

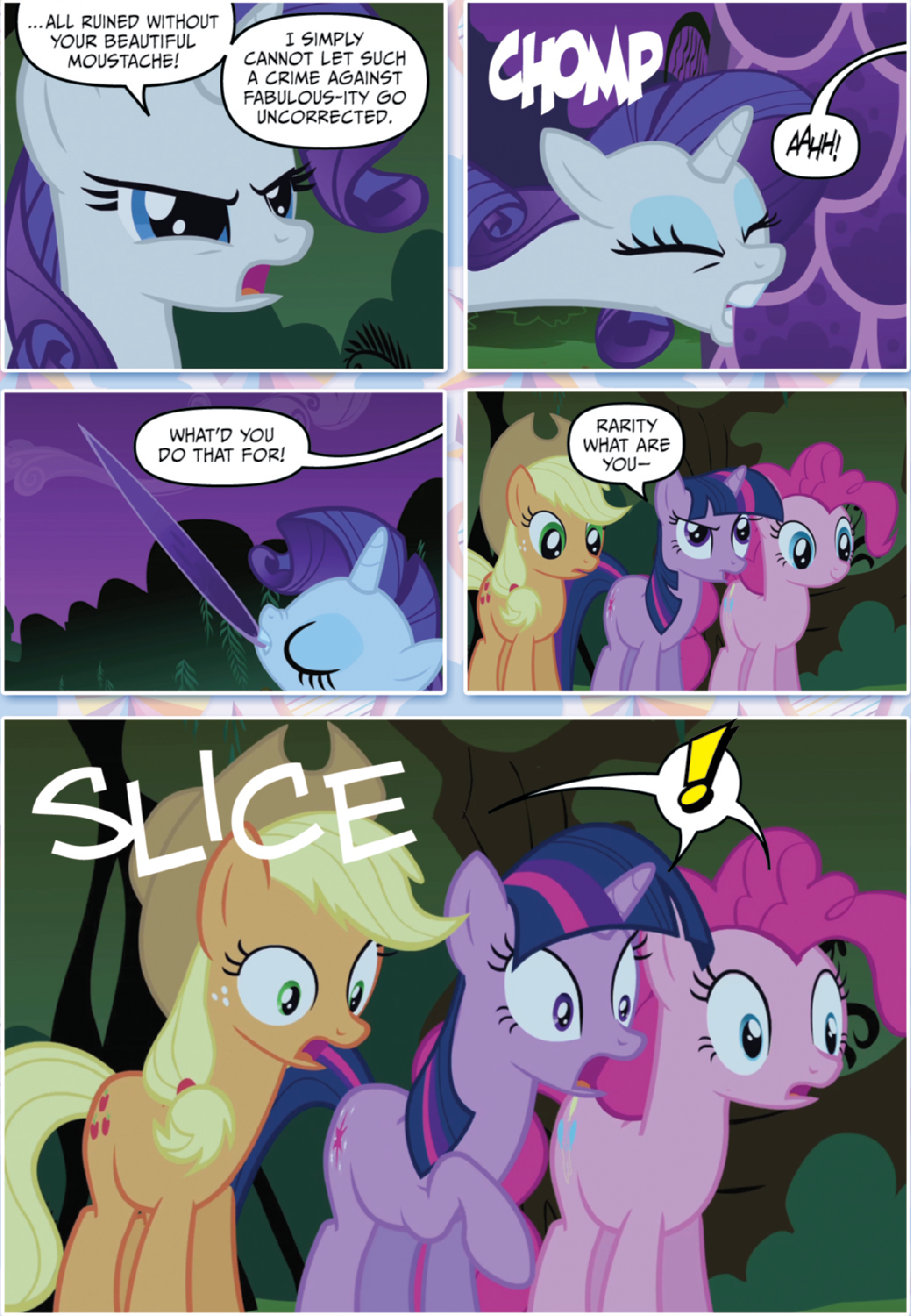

THAT ANCIENT RUIN COULD BE RIGHT IN FRONT OF OUR FACES AND WE WOULDN'T EVEN KNOW IT!
FWOOOSH
THE TREES COME ALIVE!
RAWWWRRRR
AAAAAHHH!
‹GIGGLE›
BOOGITY BOOGITY BOOP! HA HA HA!!
PINKIE, WHAT ARE YOU DOING! RUN!

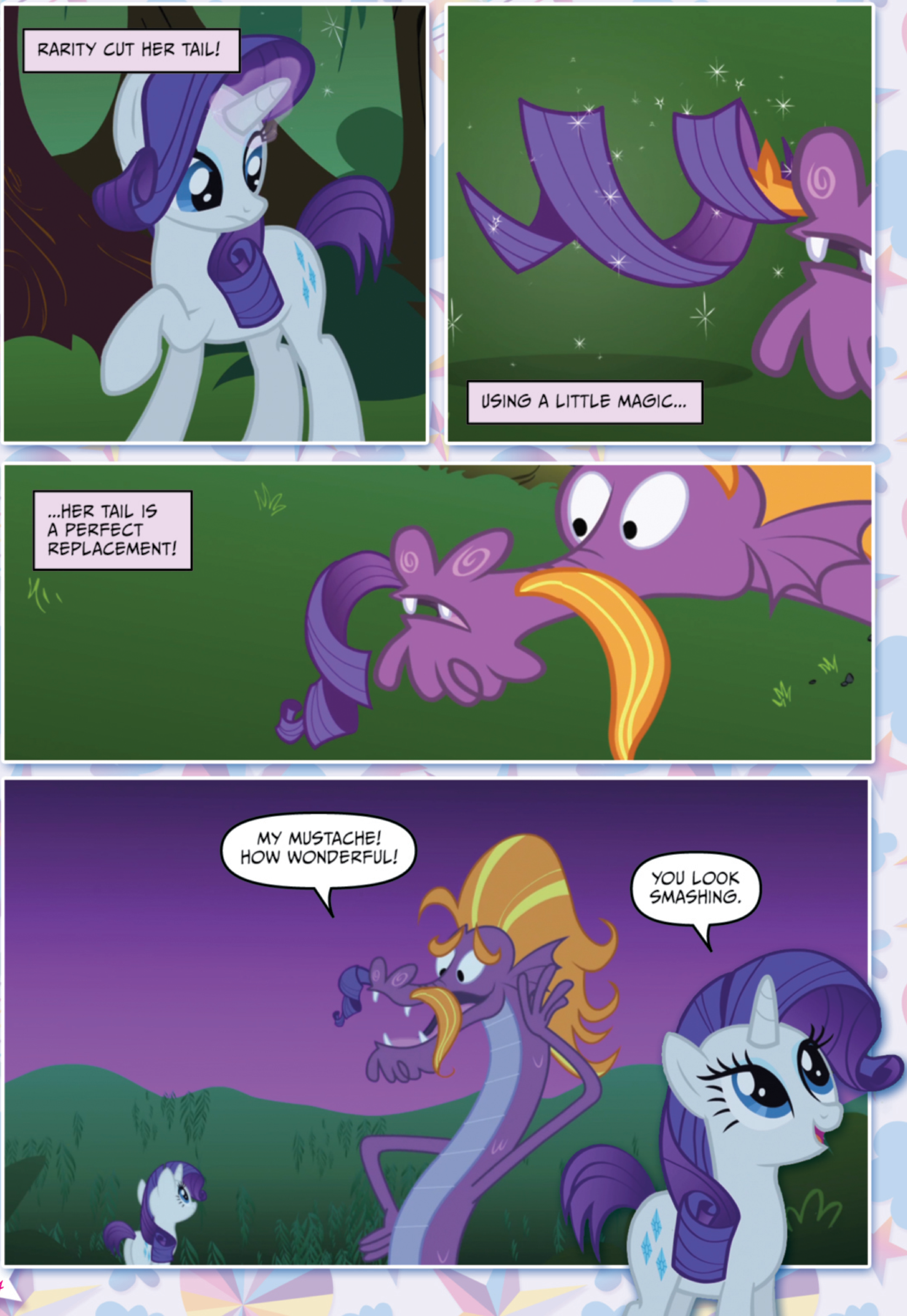

OH GIRLS, DON'T YOU SEE?
GRAMMY PIE SAID "PINKIE, YOU GOTTA STAND UP TALL. LEARN TO FACE YOUR FEAR.
"YOU'LL SEE THAT THEY CAN'T HURT YOU...
"JUST LAUGHING CAN MAKE THEM—
"—DISAPPEAR!"
POP
HA! HA! HA!
HA HA
POP
POP
POP
HA HA

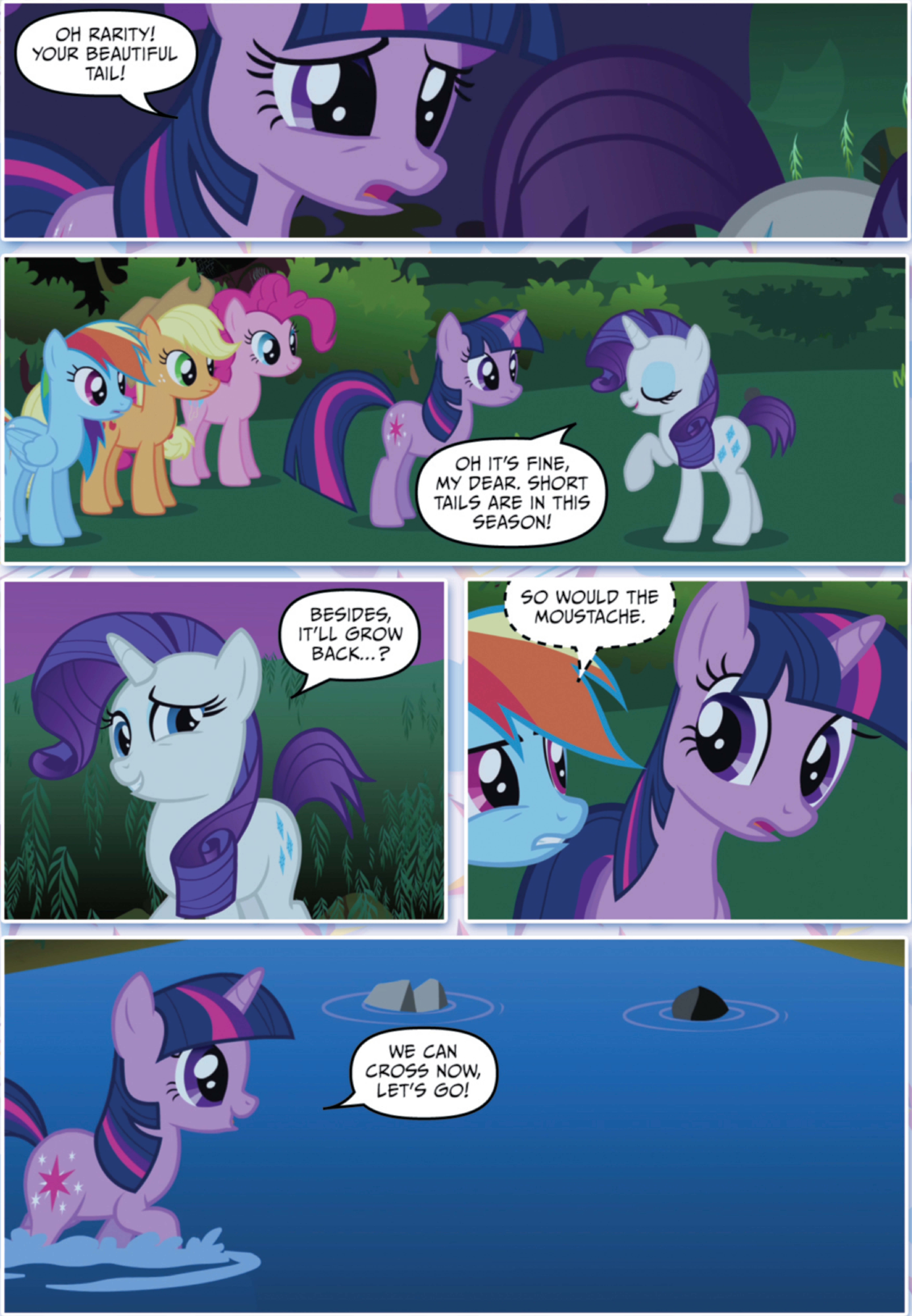

THE PONIES GO ON, GIGGLING THEIR WAY THROUGH THE FOREST...
HAHA
TEE-HEE
...WHEN PINKIE PIE SPOTS TROUBLE!
SKRRRRTT
WHUMP
WHUMP
WHUMP
HOW ARE WE GONNA GET...
...ACROSS THIS?!
FWWOOOOOOSH
OOOOOOOOHHH
HUH?!

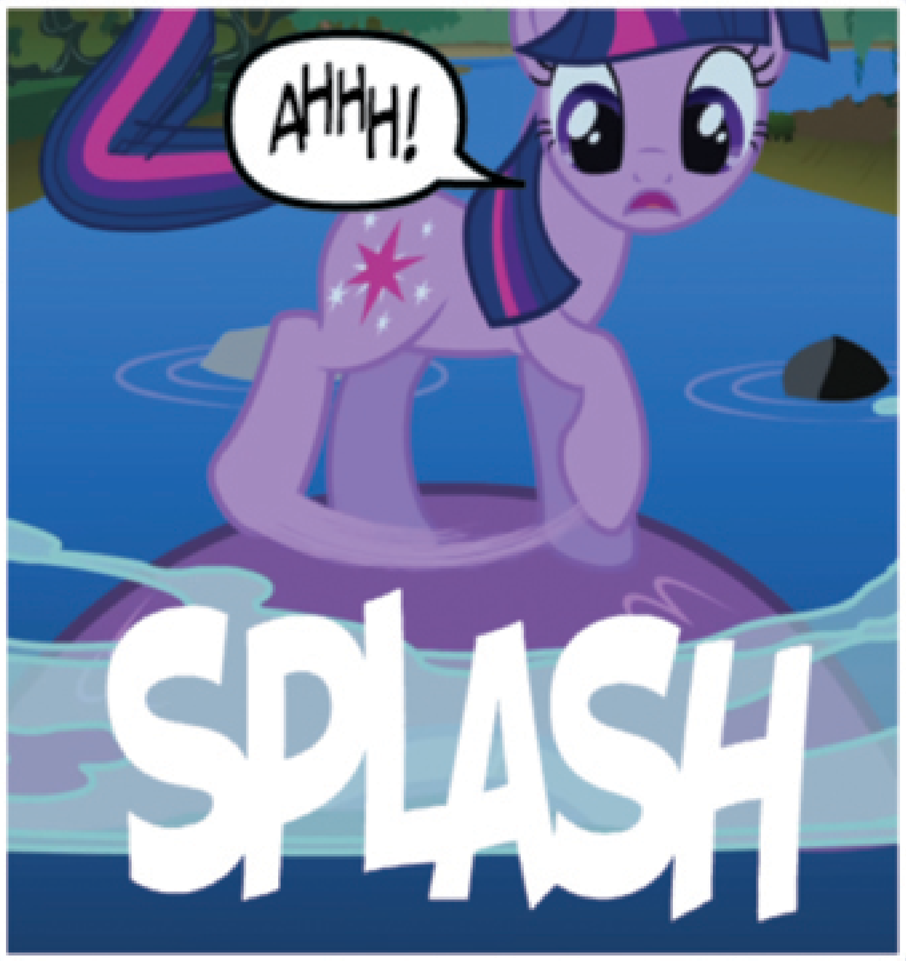

OH WHAT A WORLD WHAT A WORLD!
EXCUSE ME SIR, WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
WELL I DON'T KNOW! I WAS JUST SITTING HERE, MINDING MY OWN BUSINESS...
...WHEN THIS TACKY LITTLE CLOUD OF PURPLE SMOKE JUST WHISKED PAST ME AND TORE HALF OF MY BELOVED MOUS-TACHE—
—CLEAN OFF!
AND NOW I LOOK SIMPLY HORRID!
THROWING HIMSELF INTO THE WATER...
SPLISH

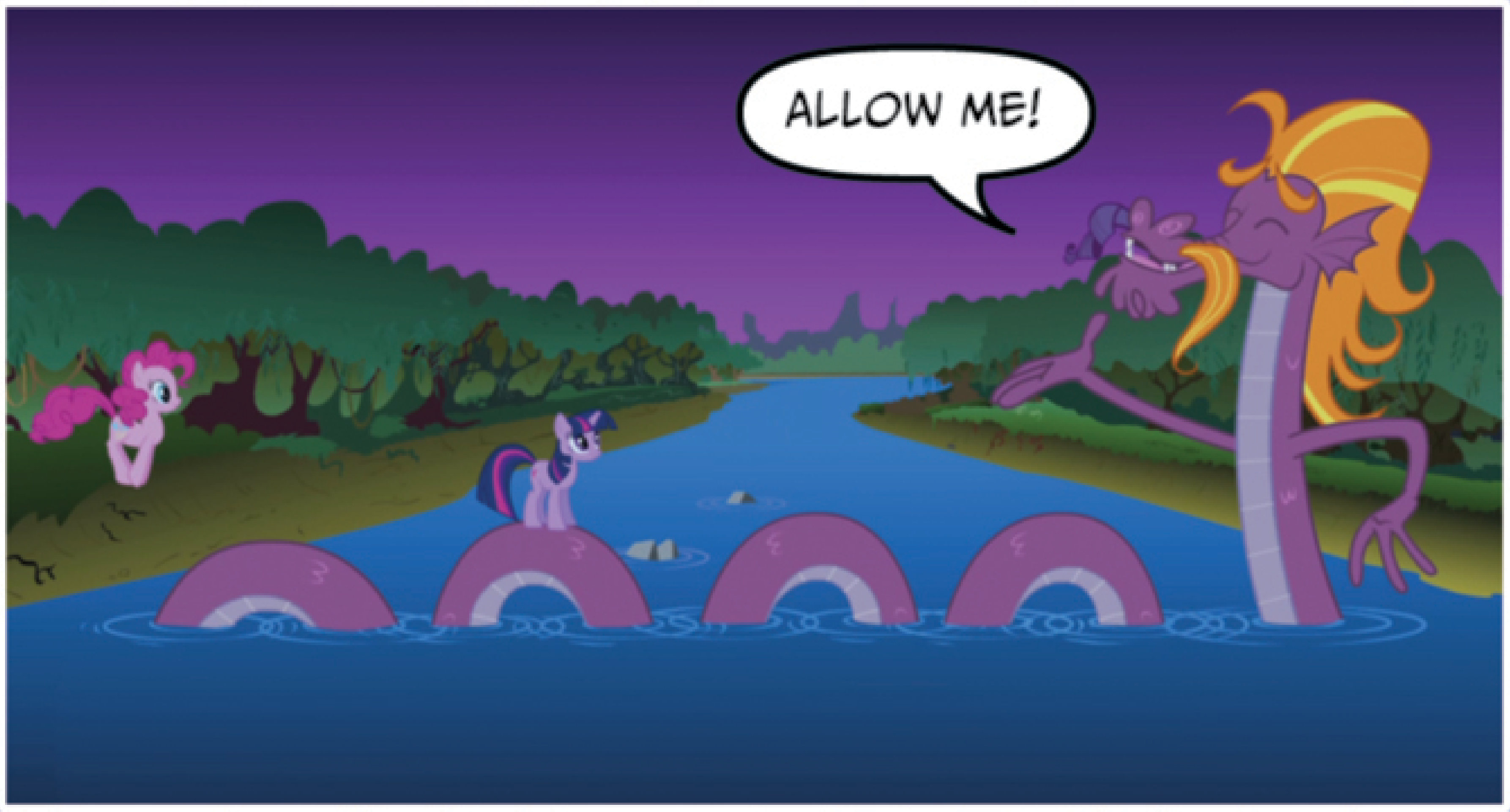

HUF!
THAT'S WHAT ALL THE FUSS IS ABOUT?
WHY OF COURSE IT IS!
HOW CAN YOU BE SO INSENSITIVE! JUST LOOK AT HIM!
SUCH LOVELY LUMINESCENT SCALES...
I KNOW...
...YOUR EXPERTLY COIFFED MANE...
OH I KNOW, I KNOW!

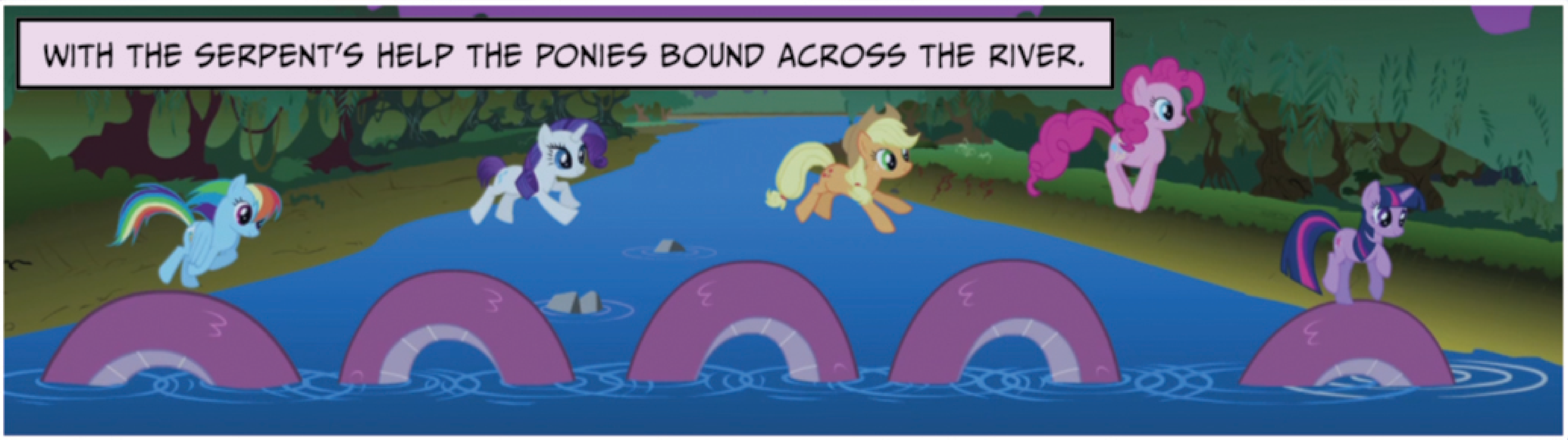

...ALL RUINED WITHOUT YOUR BEAUTIFUL MOUSTACHE!
I SIMPLY CANNOT LET SUCH A CRIME AGAINST FABULOUS-ITY GO UNCORRECTED.
CHOMP
AAHH!
WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR!
RARITY WHAT ARE YOU—
SLICE
!

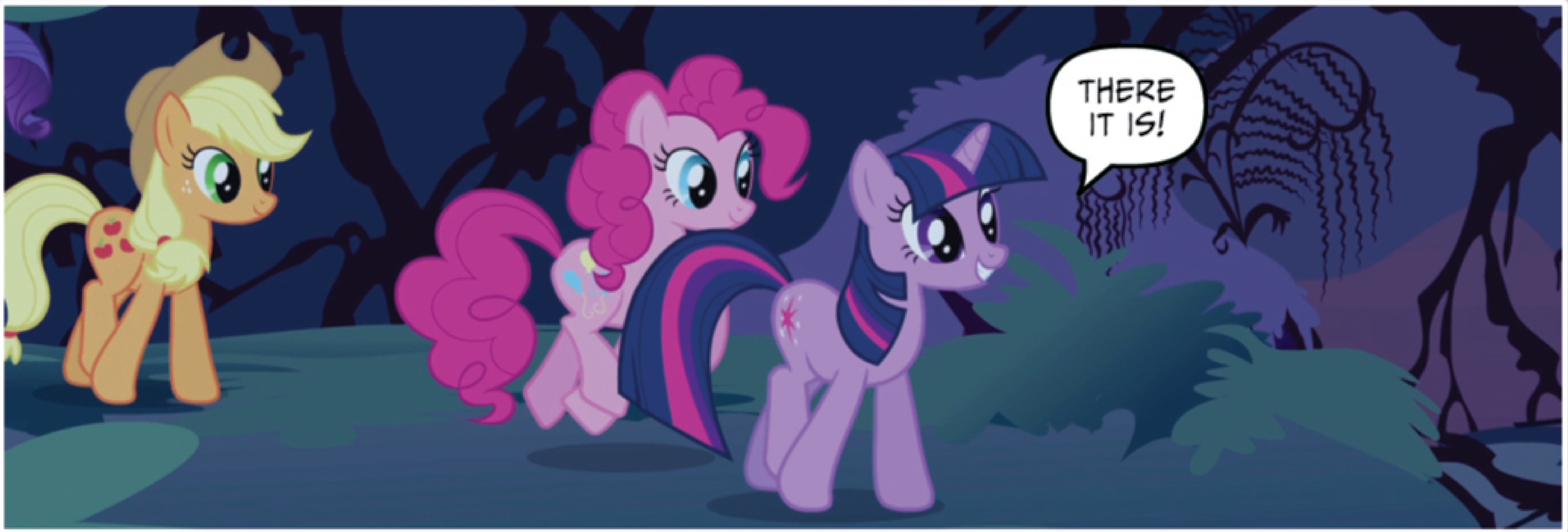

RARITY CUT HER TAIL!
USING A LITTLE MAGIC...
...HER TAIL IS A PERFECT REPLACEMENT!
MY MUSTACHE! HOW WONDERFUL!
YOU LOOK SMASHING.

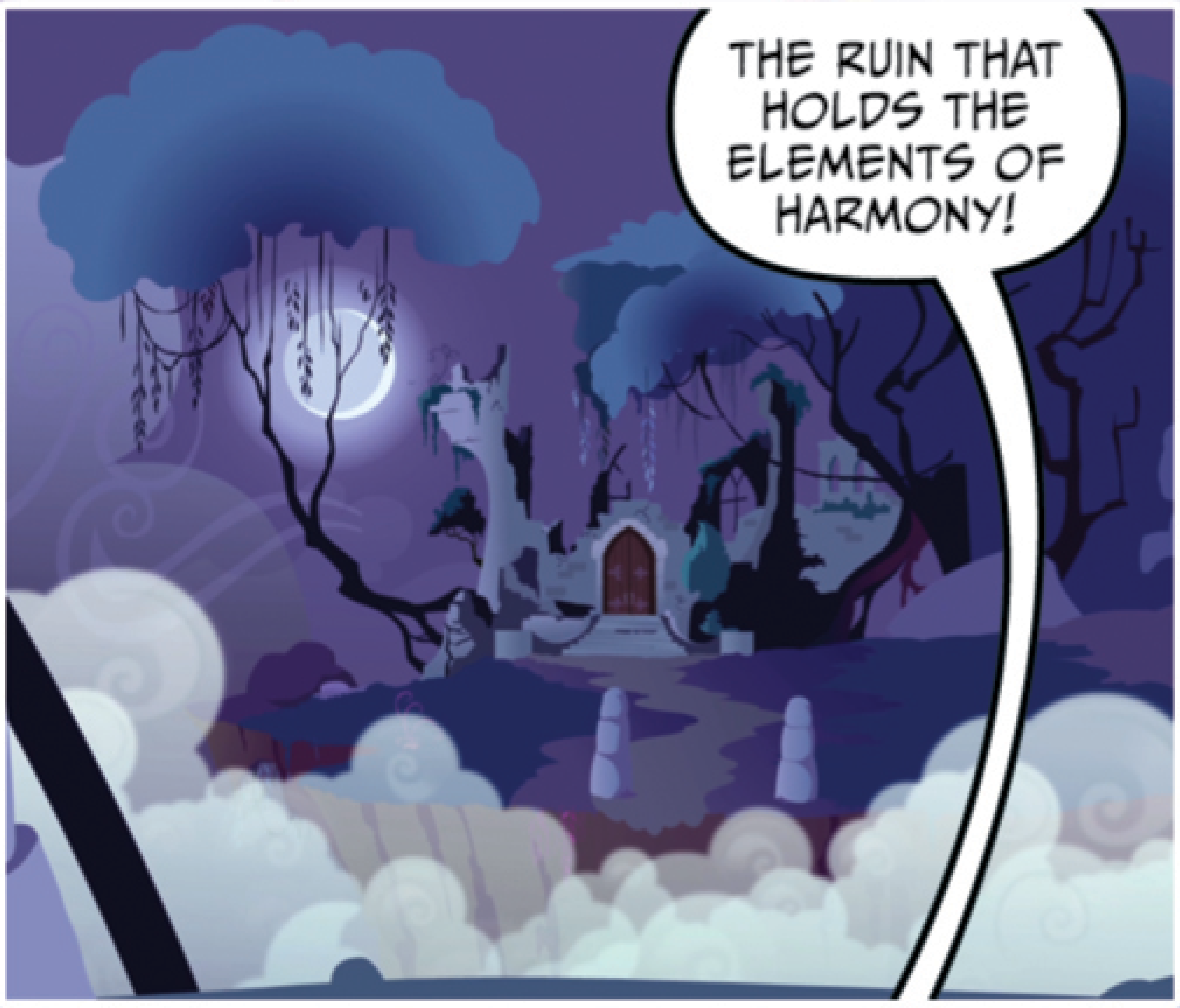

OH RARITY! YOUR BEAUTIFUL TAIL!
OH IT'S FINE, MY DEAR. SHORT TAILS ARE IN THIS SEASON!
BESIDES, IT'LL GROW BACK...?
SO WOULD THE MOUSTACHE.
WE CAN CROSS NOW, LET'S GO!

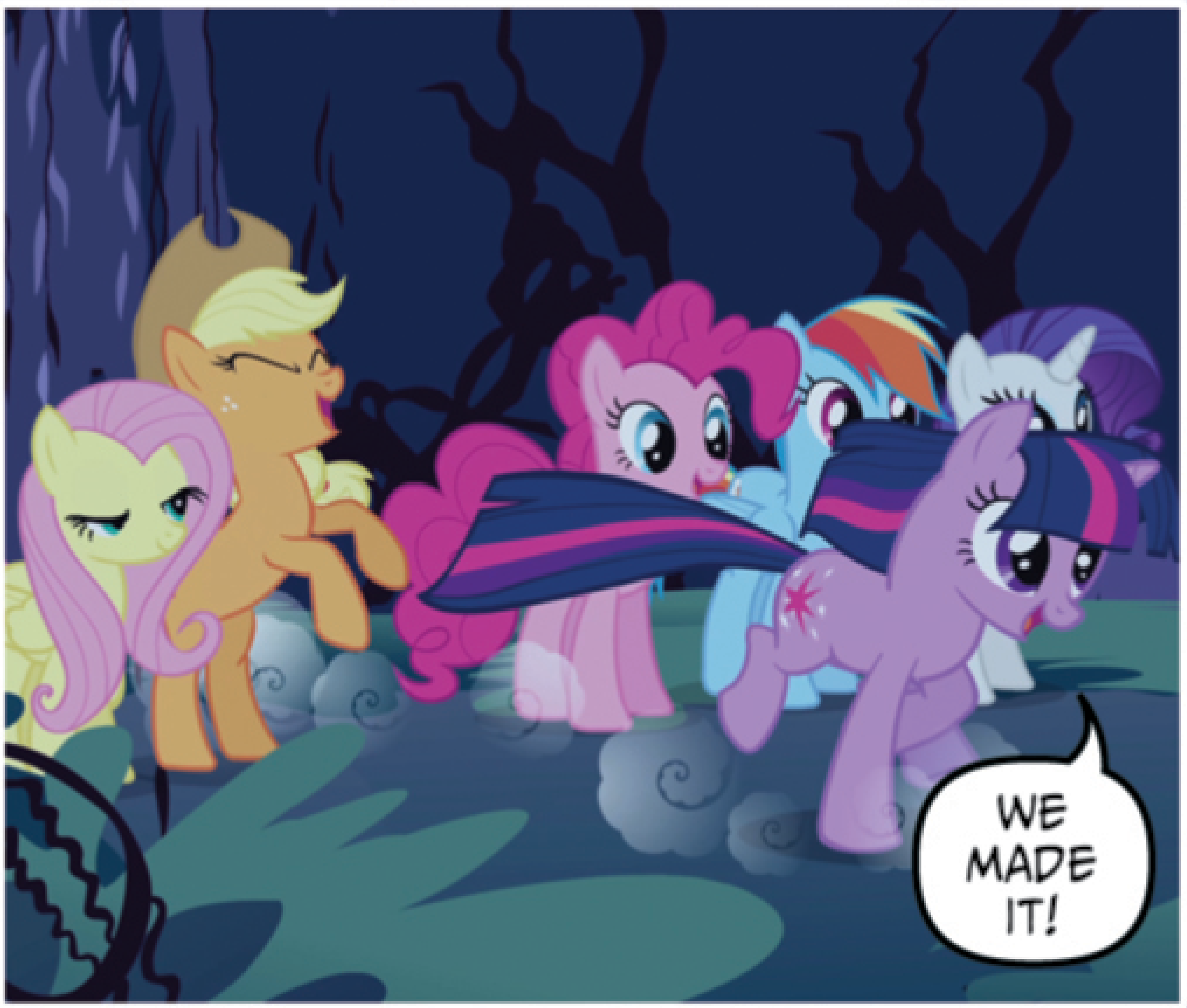

AHHH!
SPLASH

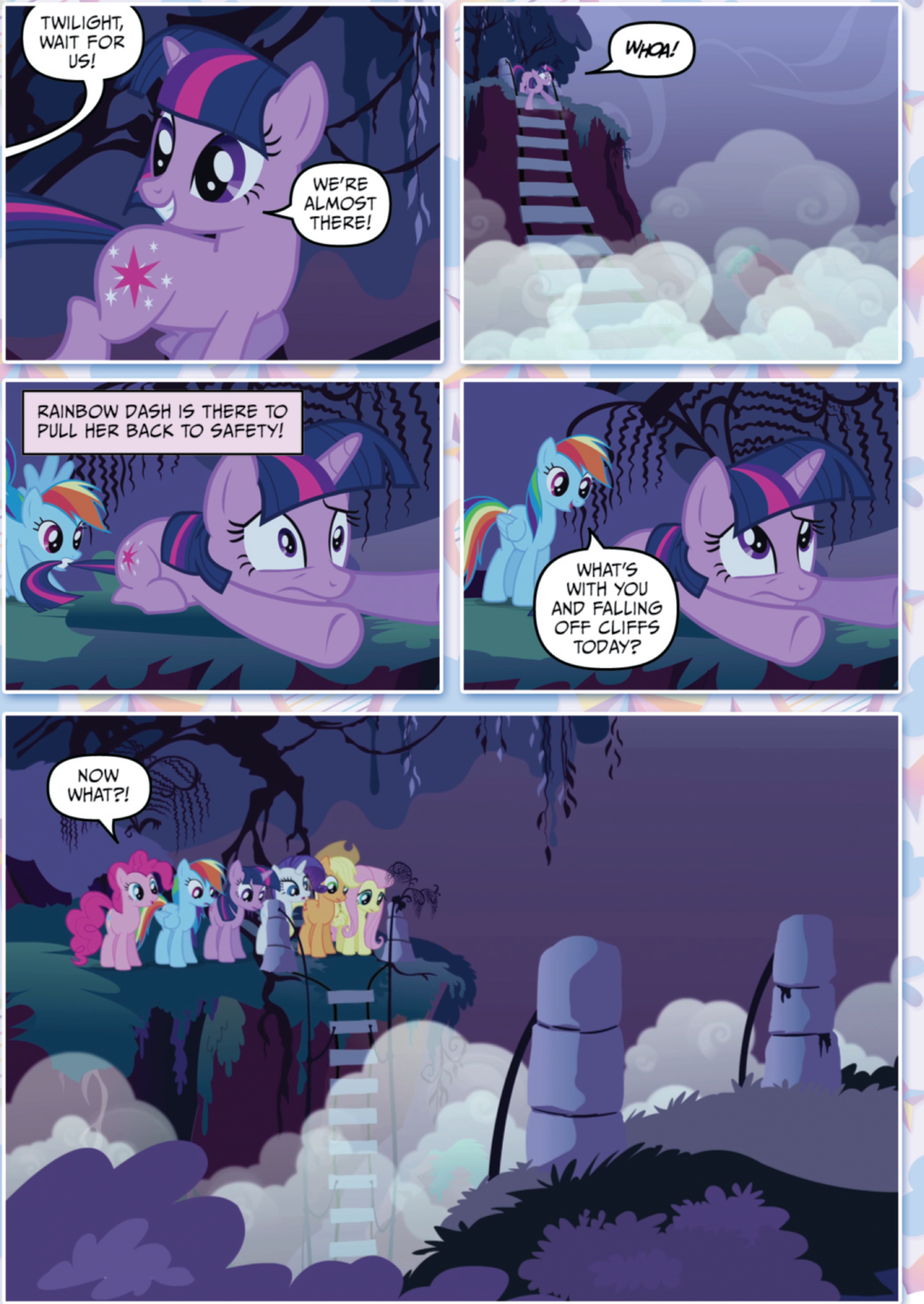

ALLOW ME!

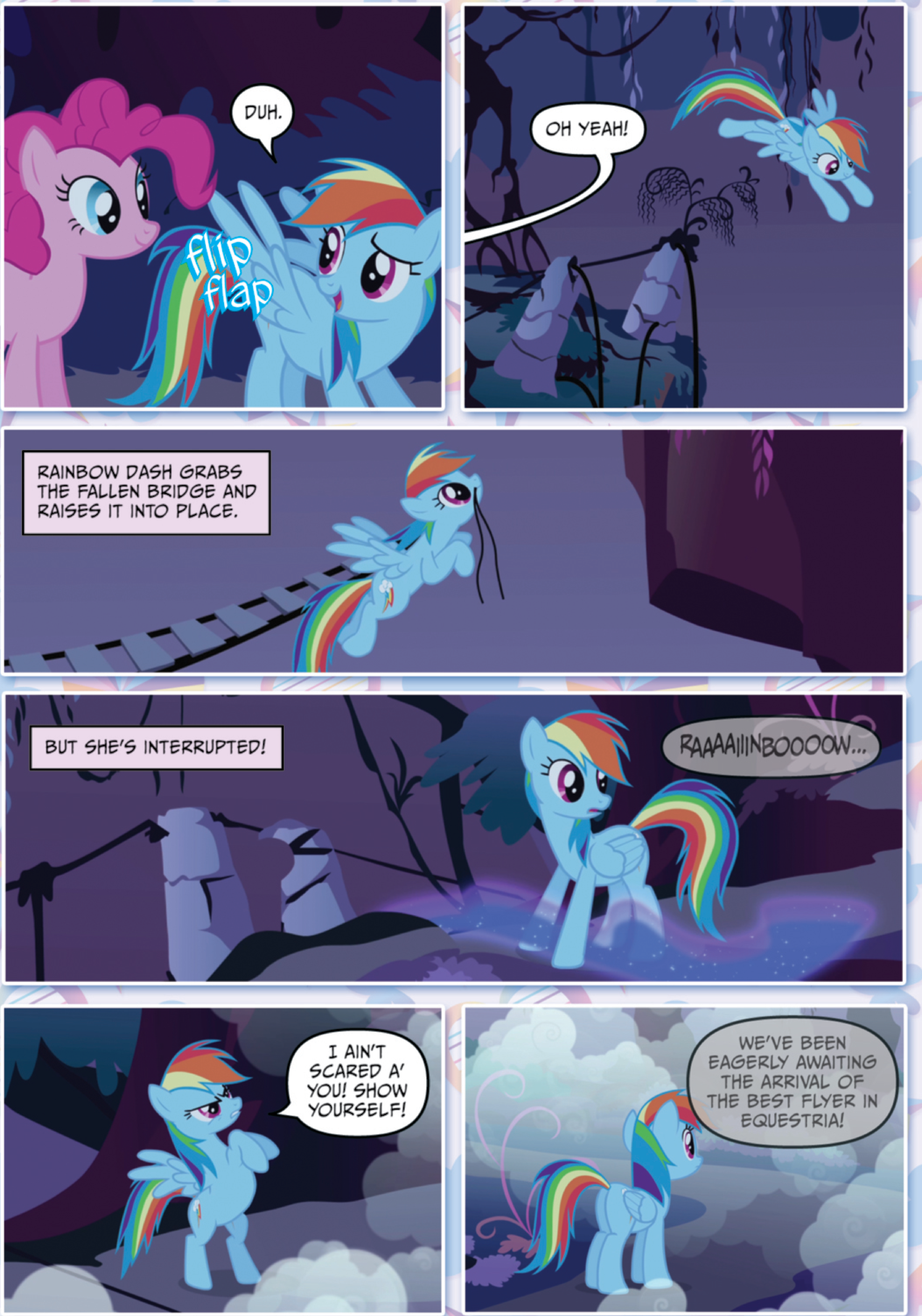

WITH THE SERPENT'S HELP THE PONIES BOUND ACROSS THE RIVER.

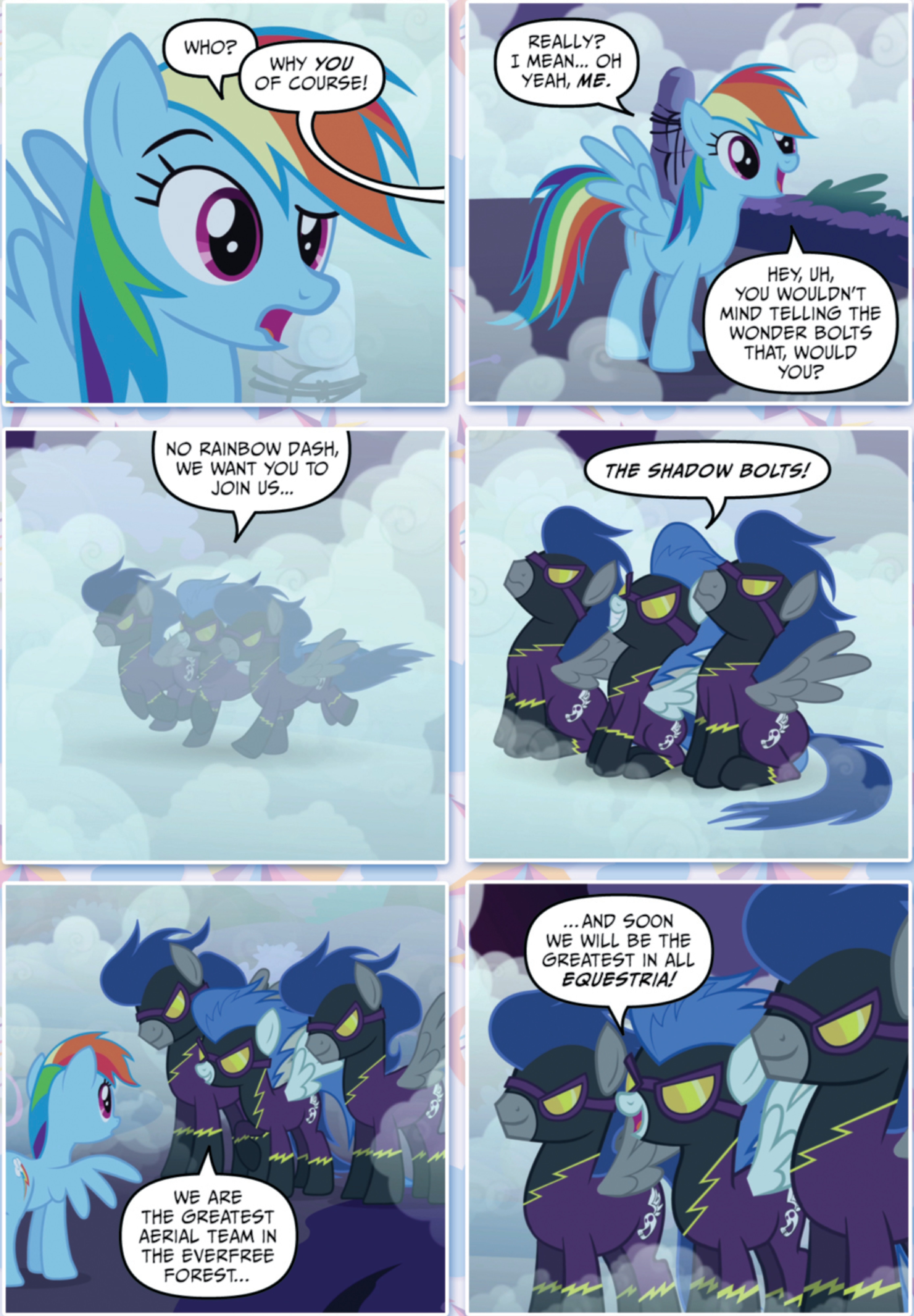

THERE IT IS!

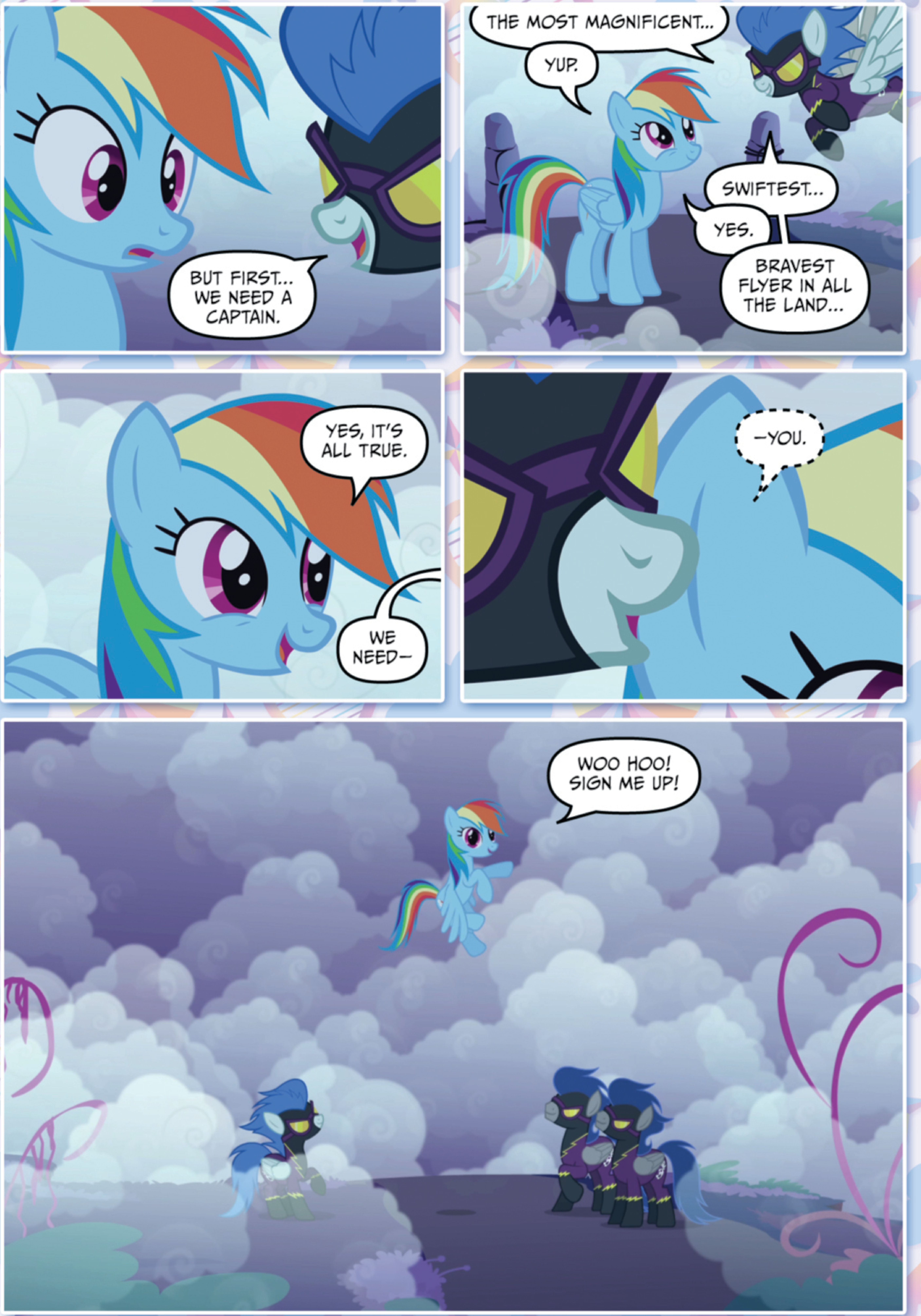

THE RUIN THAT HOLDS THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY!

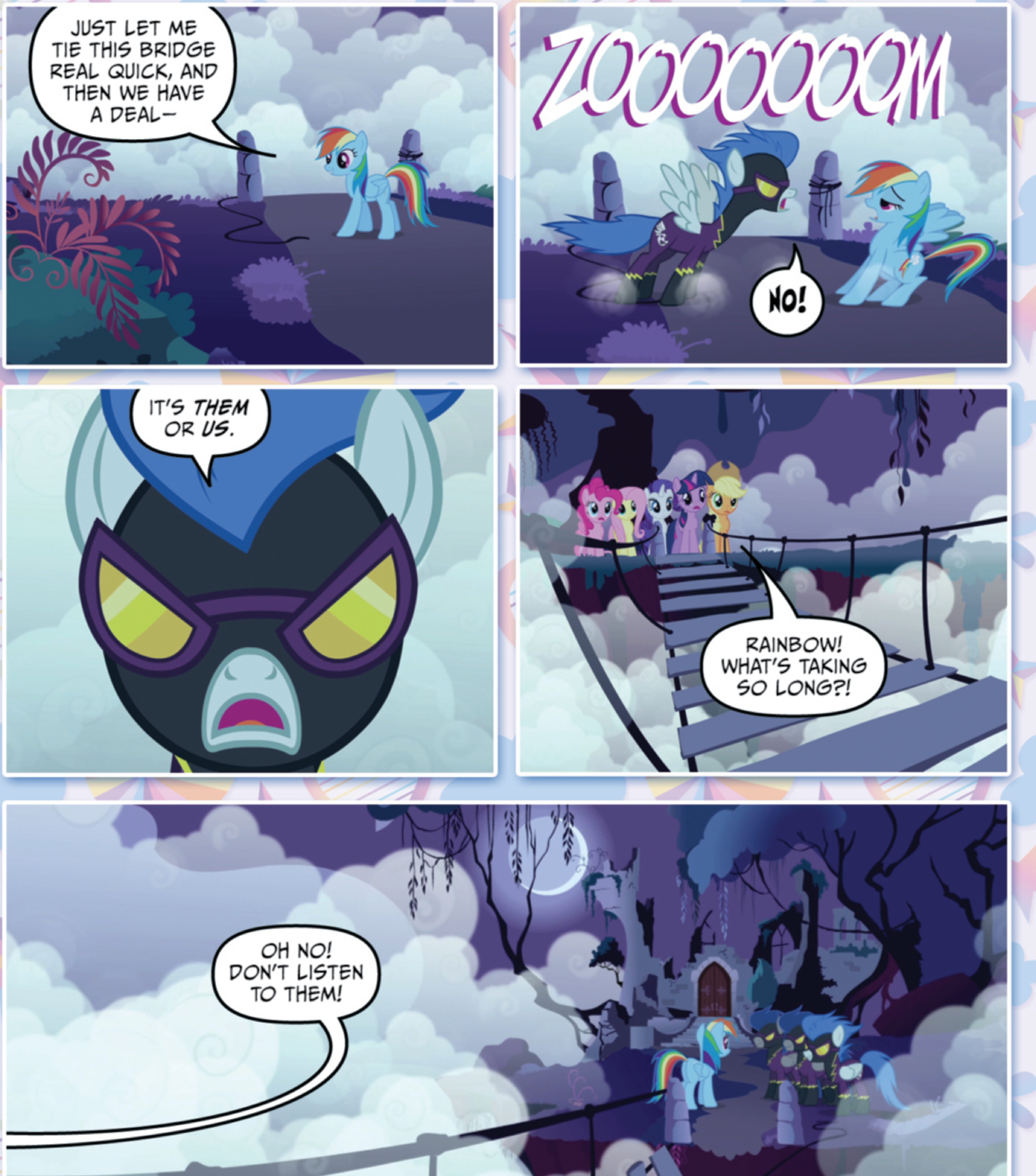

WE MADE IT!

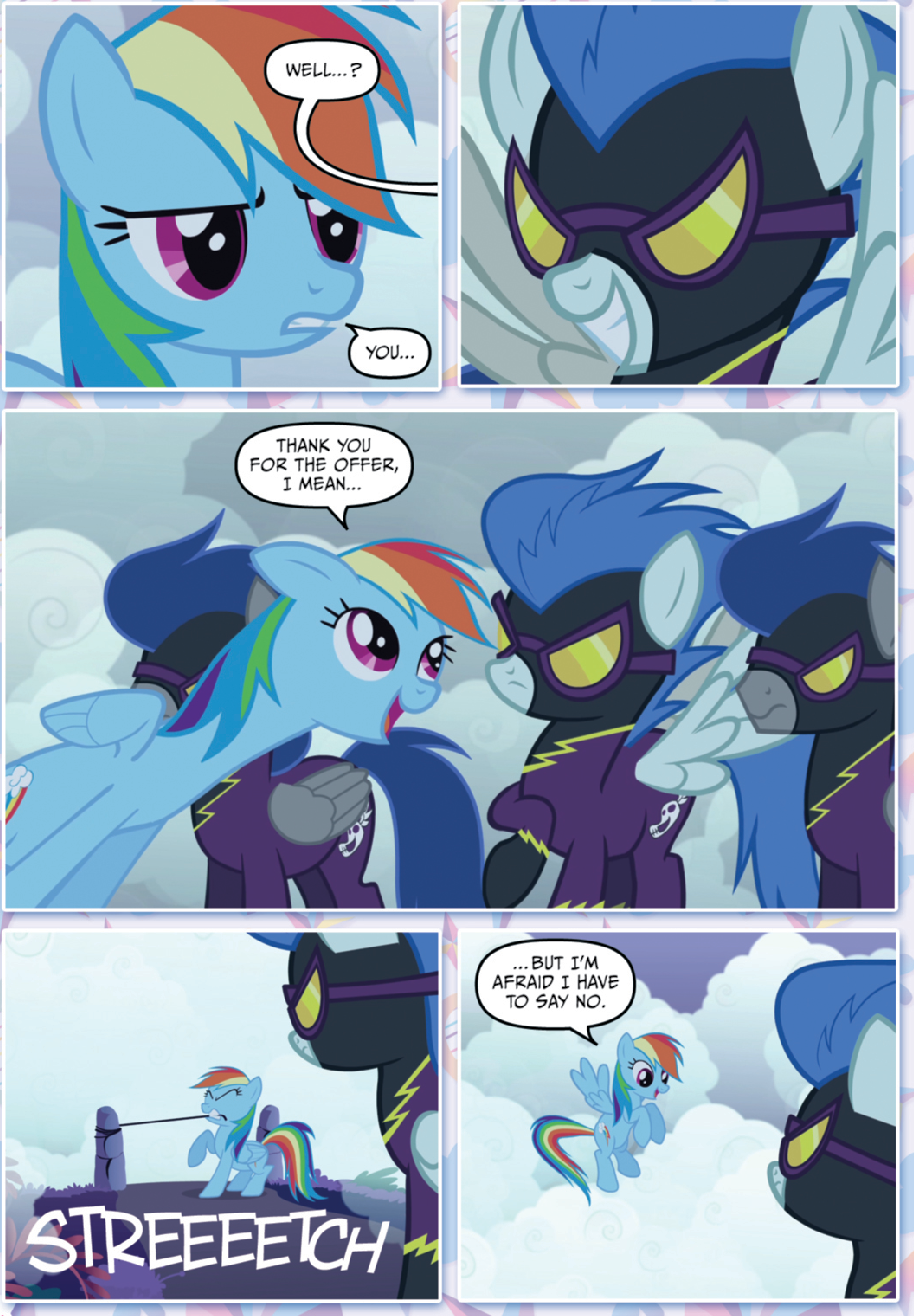

TWILIGHT, WAIT FOR US!
WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
WHOA!
RAINBOW DASH IS THERE TO PULL HER BACK TO SAFETY!
WHAT'S WITH YOU AND FALLING OFF CLIFFS TODAY?
NOW WHAT?!

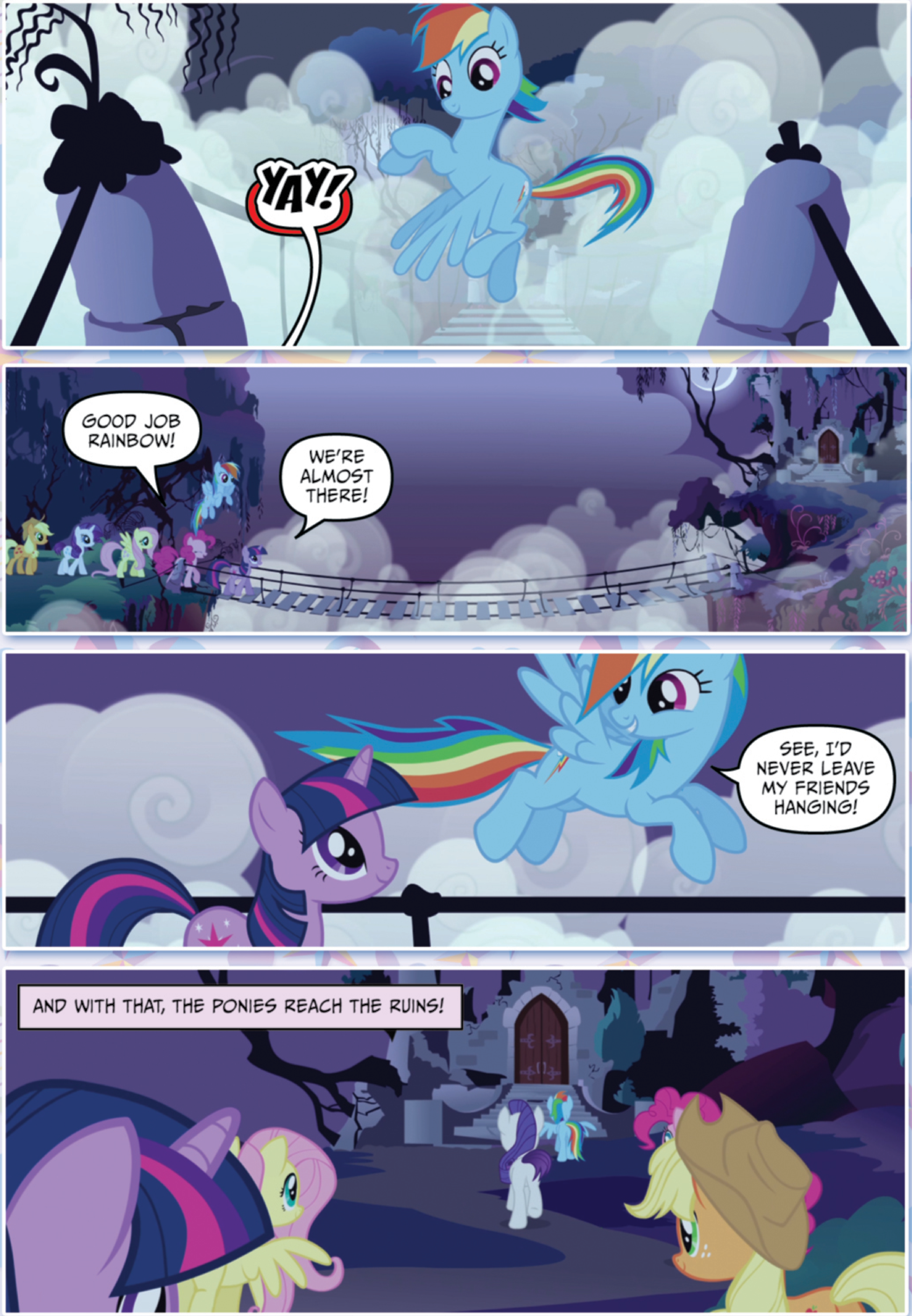

DUH.
flip flap
OH YEAH!
RAINBOW DASH GRABS THE FALLEN BRIDGE AND RAISES IT INTO PLACE.
BUT SHE'S INTERRUPTED!
RAAAAIIINBOOOOW...
I AIN'T SCARED A' YOU! SHOW YOURSELF!
WE'VE BEEN EAGERLY AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF THE BEST FLYER IN EQUESTRIA!

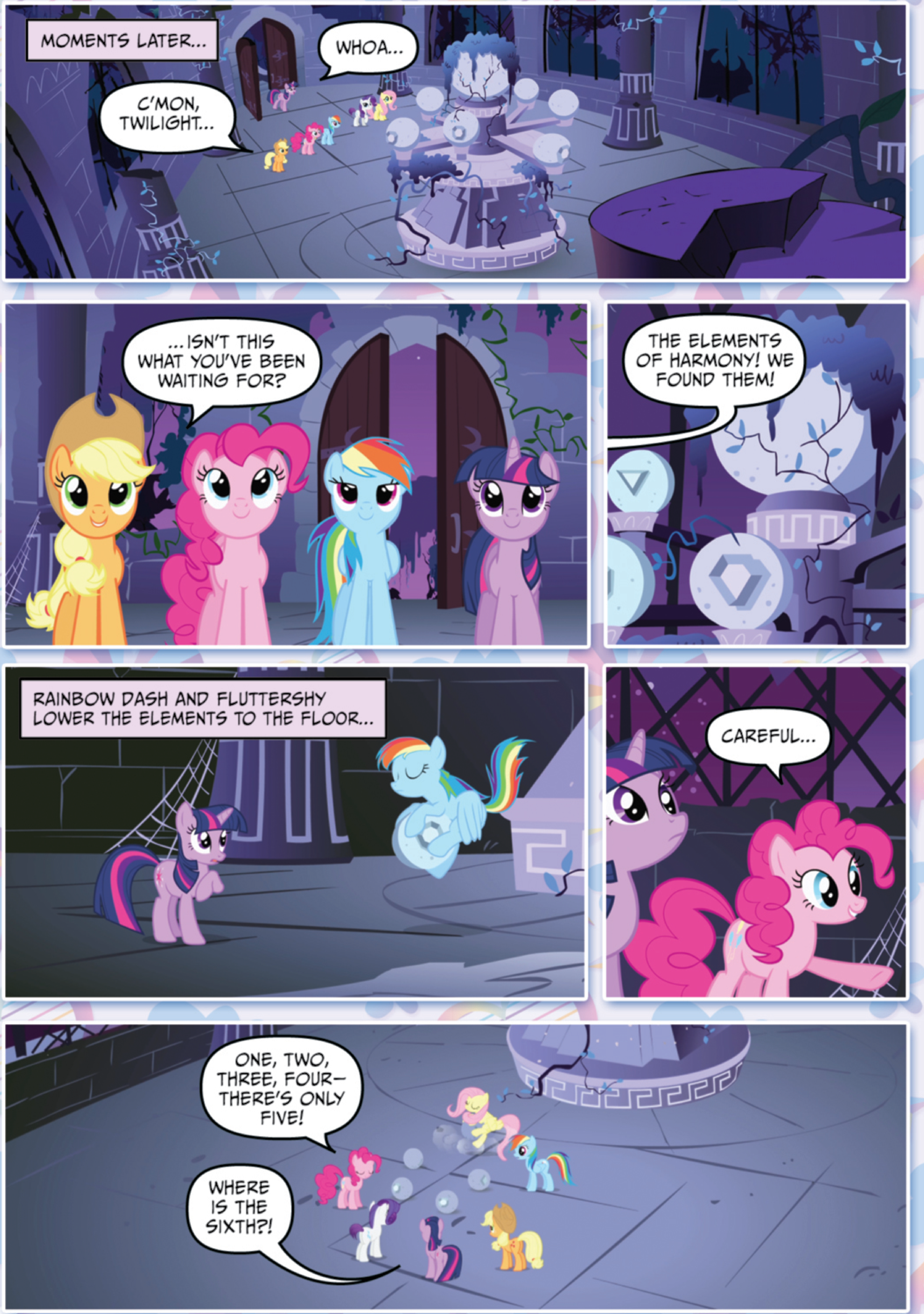

WHO?
WHY *YOU* OF COURSE!
REALLY? I MEAN... OH YEAH, ***ME.***
HEY, UH, YOU WOULDN'T MIND TELLING THE WONDER BOLTS THAT, WOULD YOU?
NO RAINBOW DASH, WE WANT YOU TO JOIN US...
THE SHADOW BOLTS!
WE ARE THE GREATEST AERIAL TEAM IN THE EVERFREE FOREST...
...AND SOON WE WILL BE THE GREATEST IN ALL ***EQUESTRIA!***

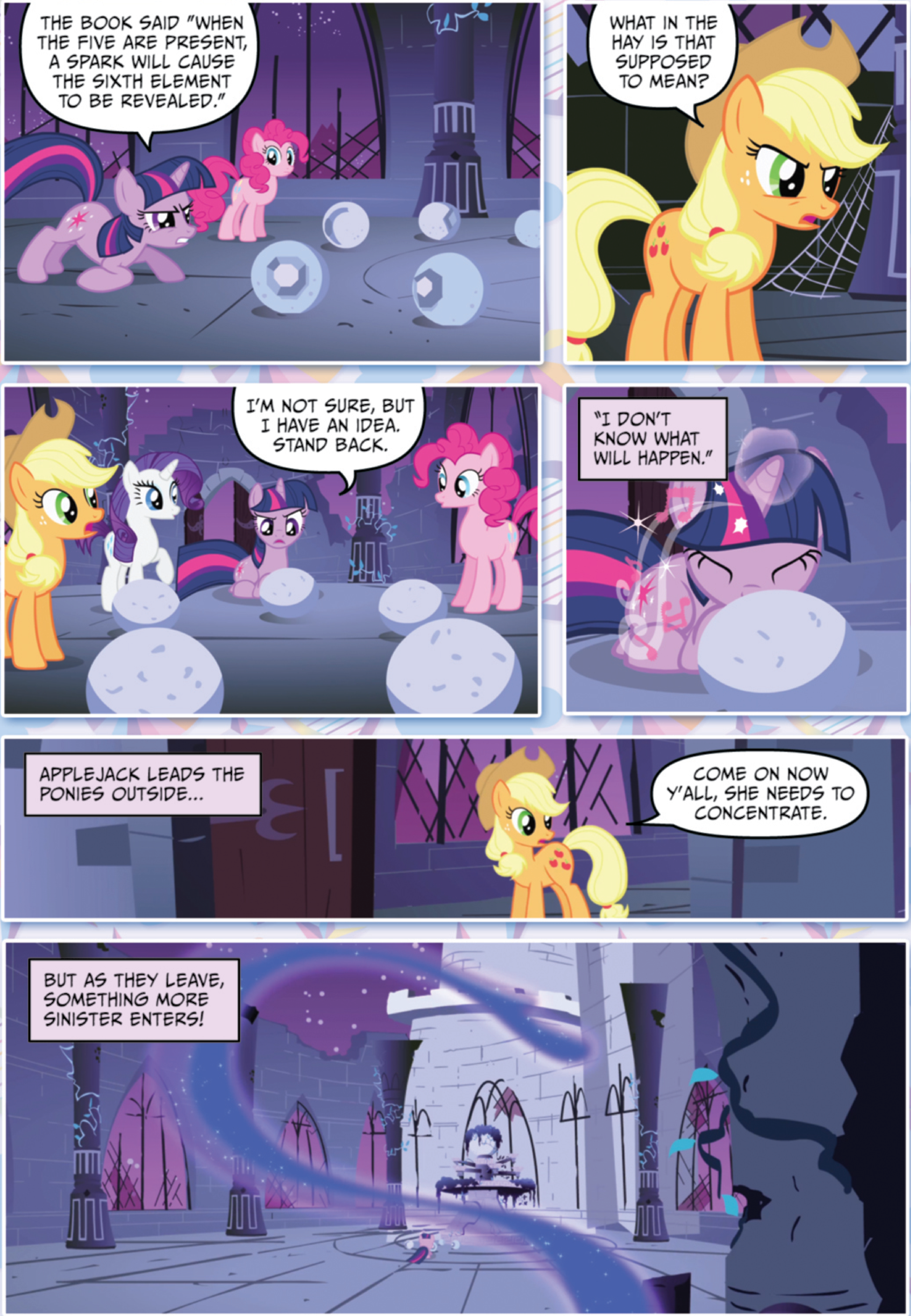

BUT FIRST... WE NEED A CAPTAIN.
THE MOST MAGNIFICENT...
YUP.
SWIFTEST...
YES.
BRAVEST FLYER IN ALL THE LAND...
YES, IT'S ALL TRUE.
WE NEED—
—YOU.
WOO HOO! SIGN ME UP!

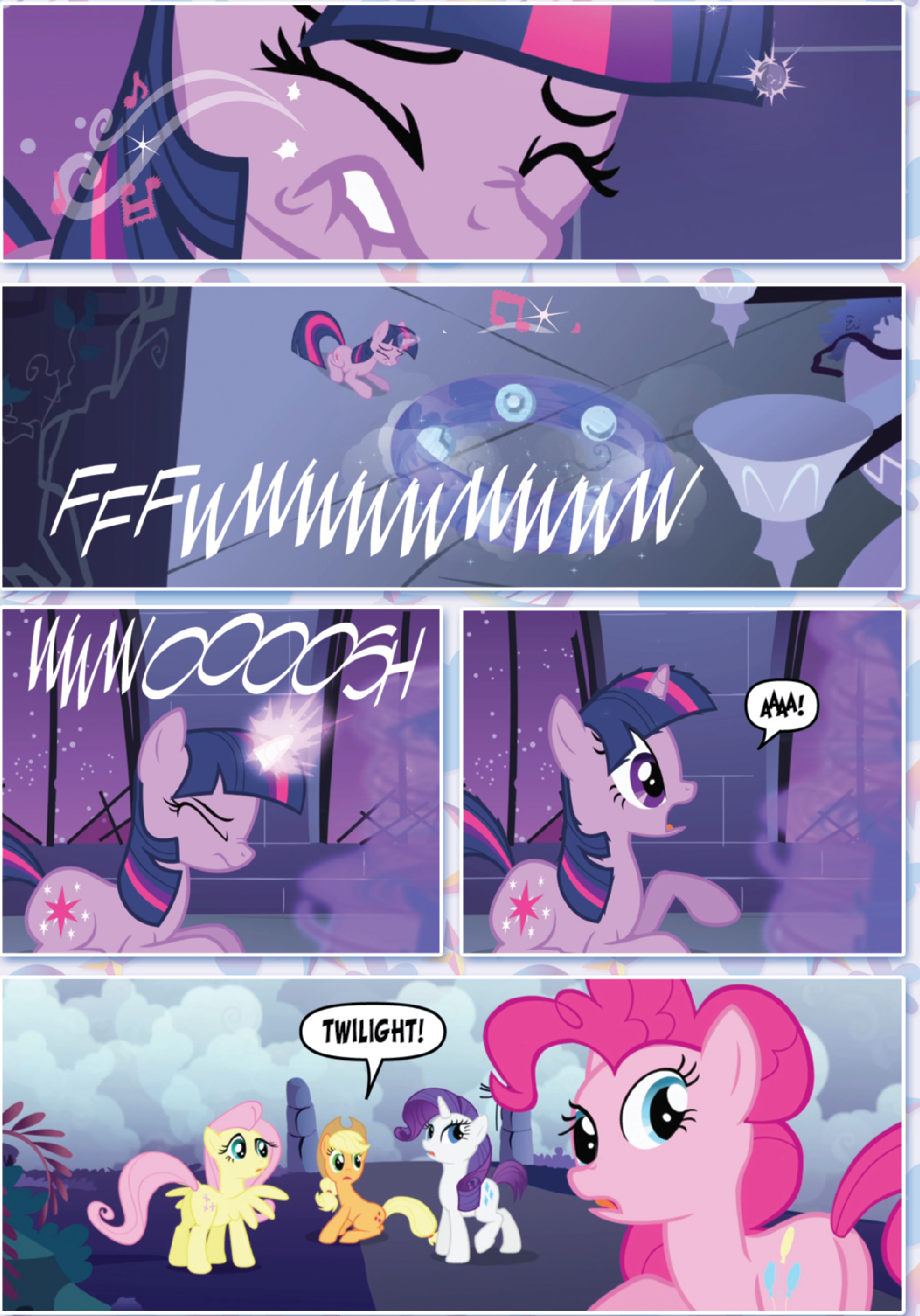

JUST LET ME TIE THIS BRIDGE REAL QUICK, AND THEN WE HAVE A DEAL—
ZOOOOOOOOM
NO!
IT'S *THEM* OR *US*.
RAINBOW! WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG?!
OH NO! DON'T LISTEN TO THEM!

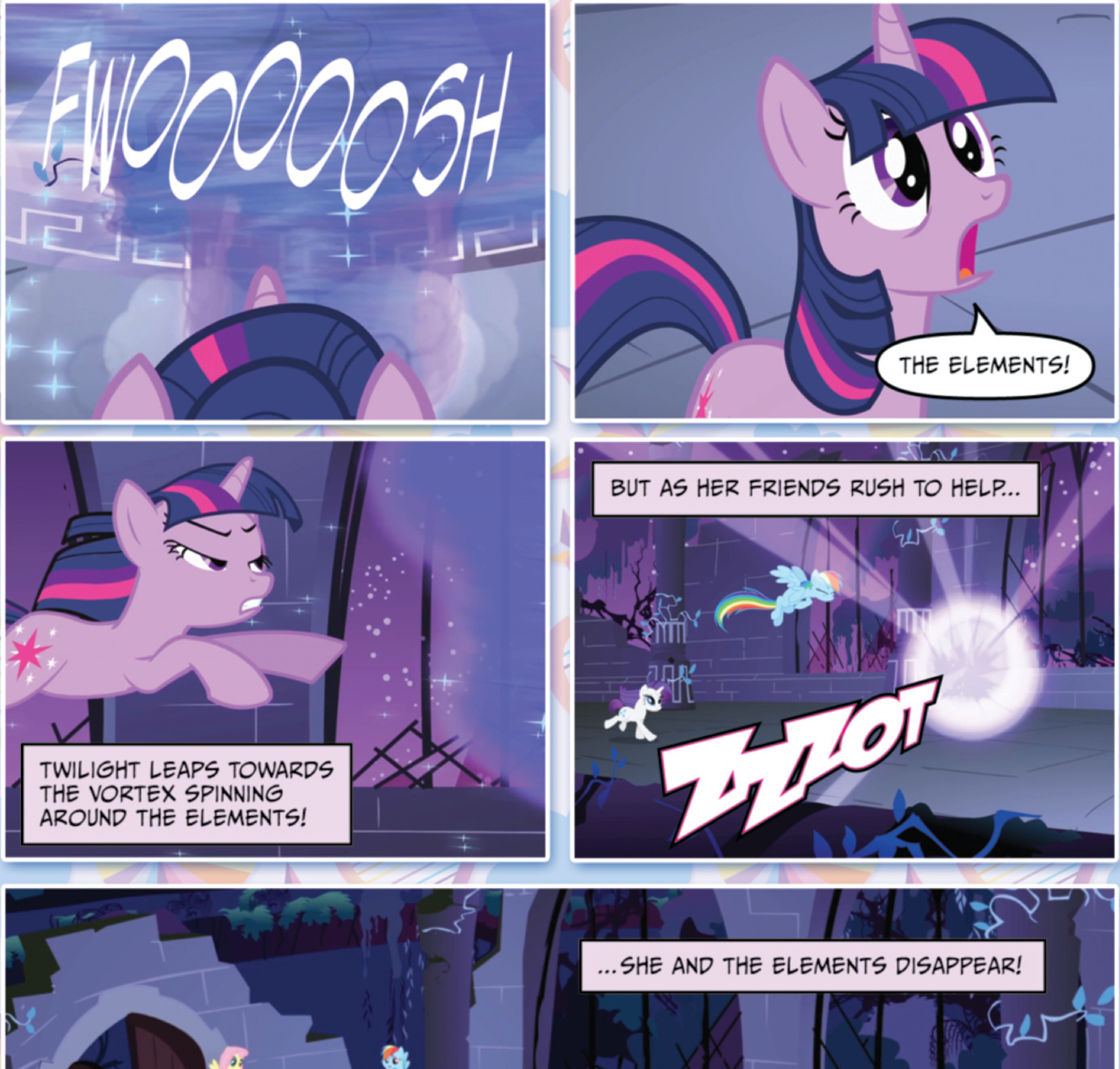

WELL...?
YOU...
THANK YOU FOR THE OFFER, I MEAN...
STREEEETCH
...BUT I'M AFRAID I HAVE TO SAY NO.

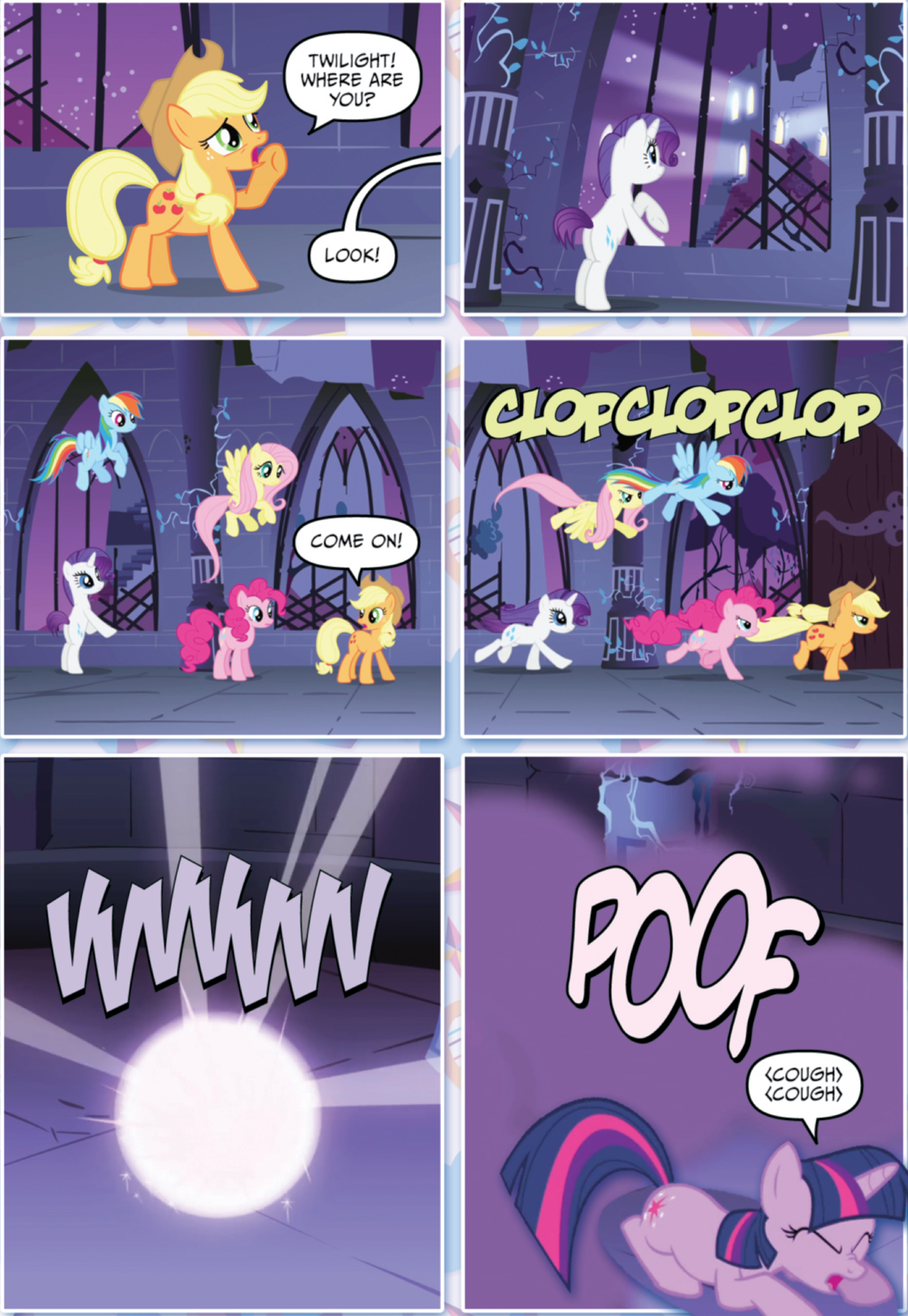

YAY!
GOOD JOB RAINBOW!
WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
SEE, I'D NEVER LEAVE MY FRIENDS HANGING!
AND WITH THAT, THE PONIES REACH THE RUINS!

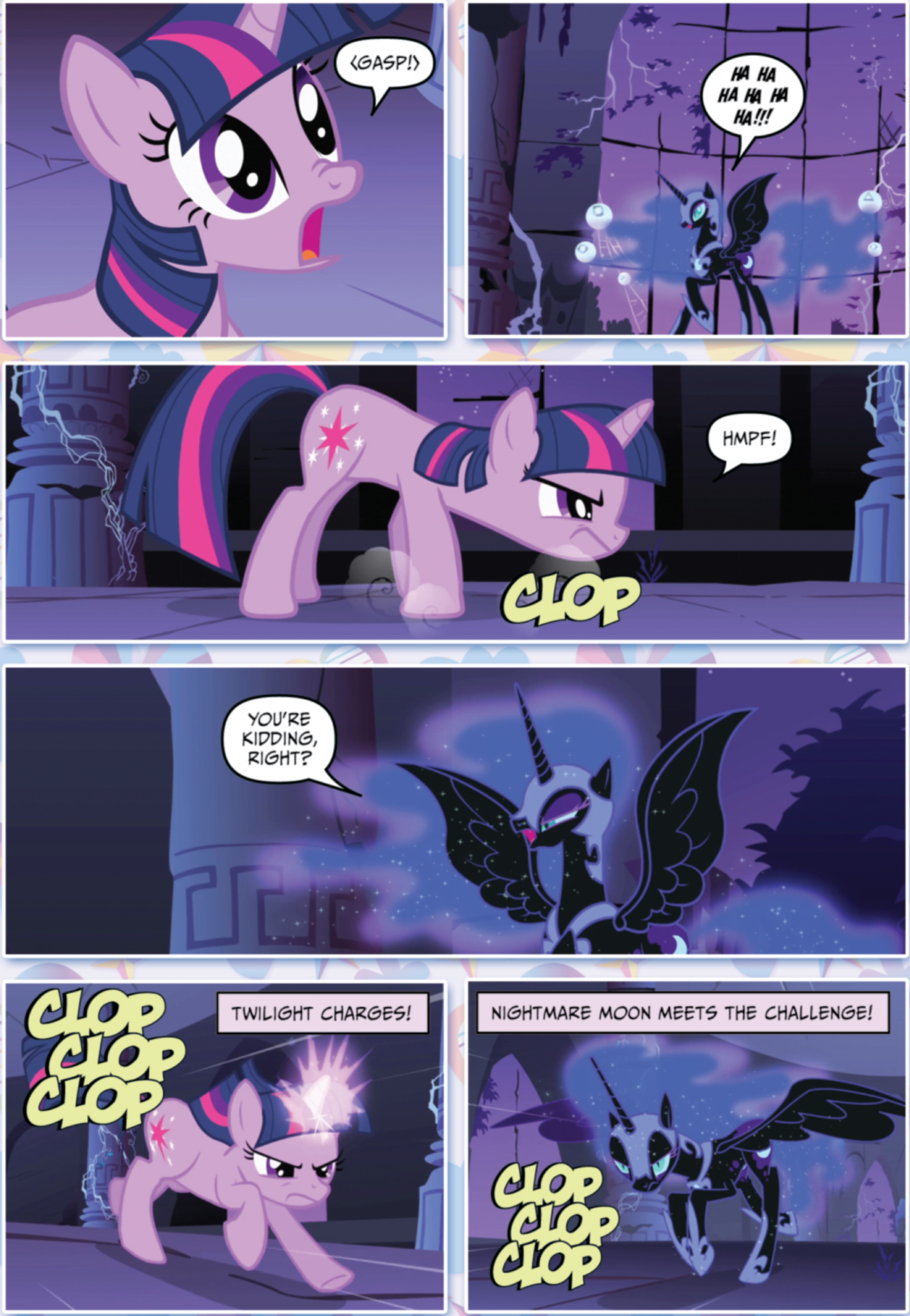

MOMENTS LATER...
WHOA...
C'MON, TWILIGHT...
...ISN'T THIS WHAT YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR?
THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY! WE FOUND THEM!
RAINBOW DASH AND FLUTTERSHY LOWER THE ELEMENTS TO THE FLOOR...
CAREFUL...
ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR— THERE'S ONLY FIVE!
WHERE IS THE SIXTH?!

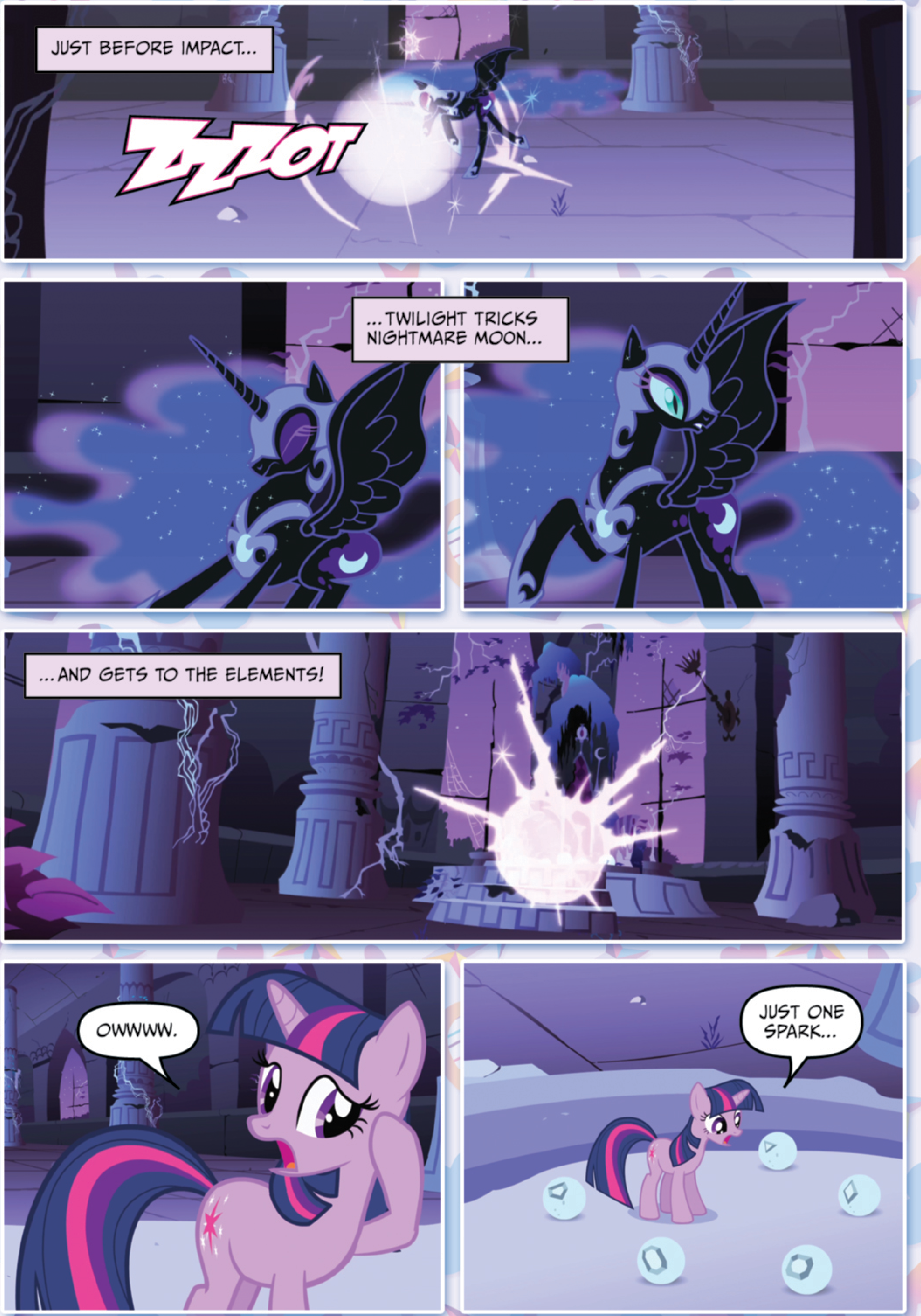

THE BOOK SAID "WHEN THE FIVE ARE PRESENT, A SPARK WILL CAUSE THE SIXTH ELEMENT TO BE REVEALED."
WHAT IN THE HAY IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
I'M NOT SURE, BUT I HAVE AN IDEA. STAND BACK.
"I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN."
APPLEJACK LEADS THE PONIES OUTSIDE...
COME ON NOW Y'ALL, SHE NEEDS TO CONCENTRATE.
BUT AS THEY LEAVE, SOMETHING MORE SINISTER ENTERS!

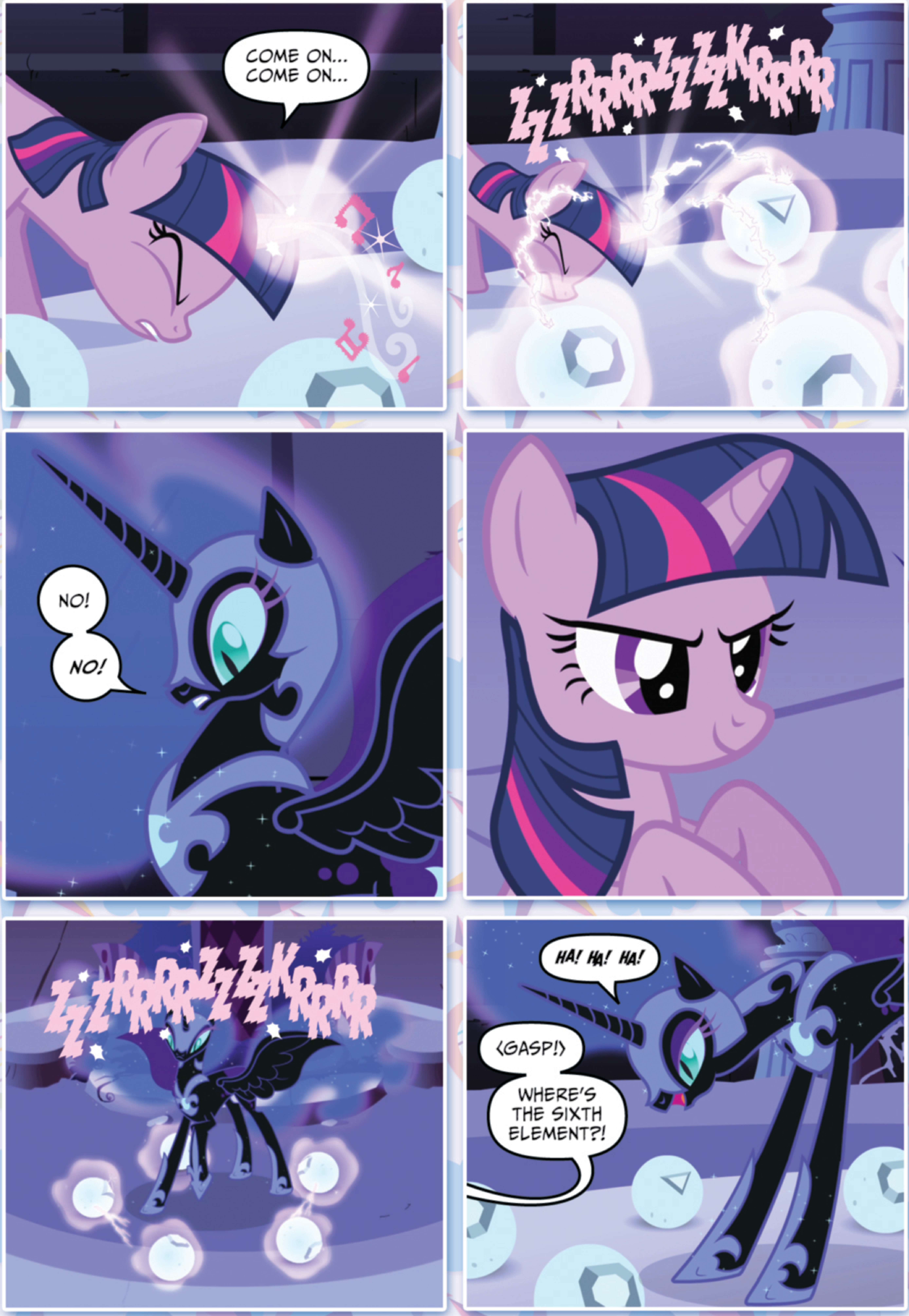

FFFWWWWWWWWWWW
WWWOOOOSH
AAAA!
TWILIGHT!

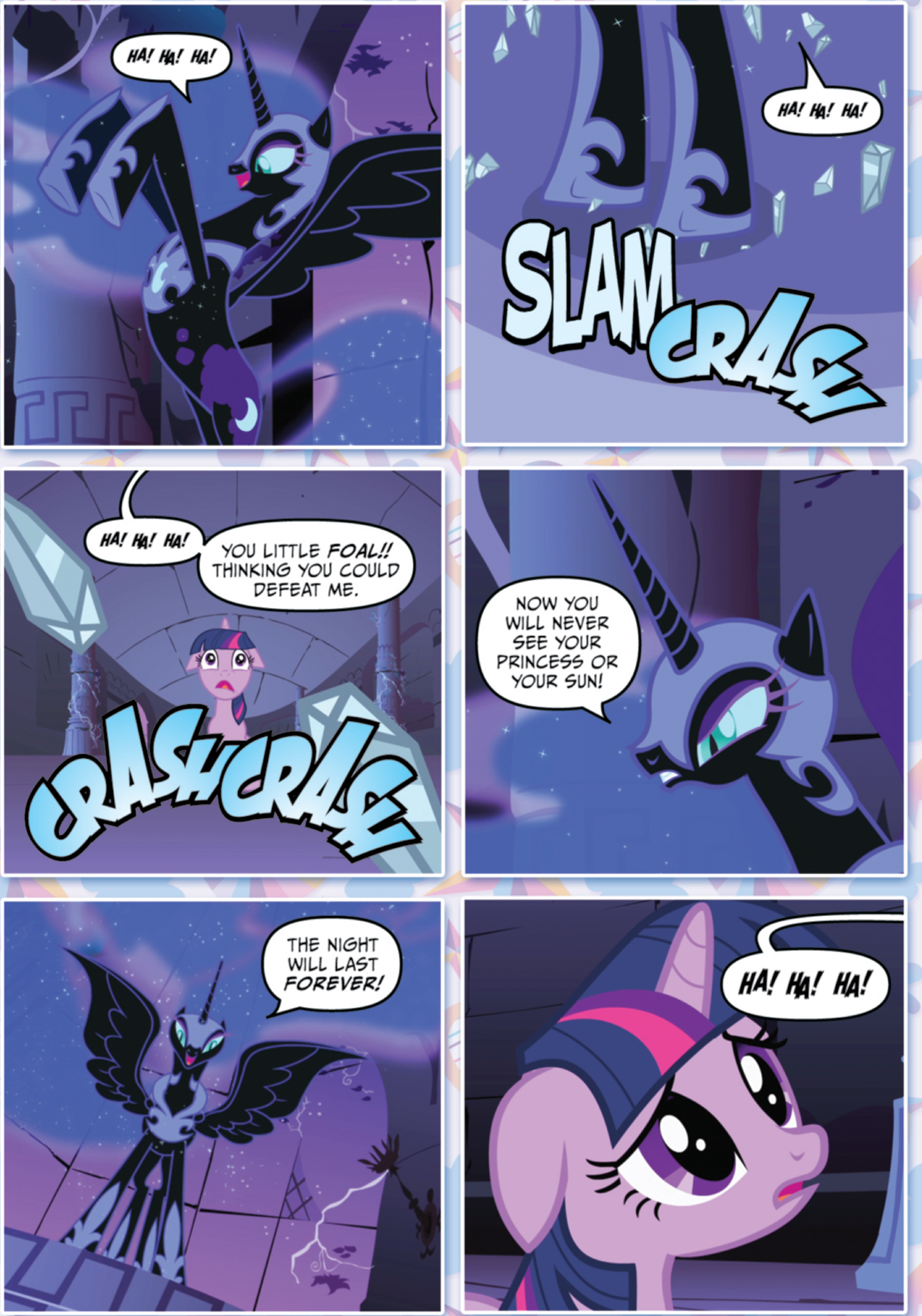

FWOOOOOSH
THE ELEMENTS!
TWILIGHT LEAPS TOWARDS THE VORTEX SPINNING AROUND THE ELEMENTS!
BUT AS HER FRIENDS RUSH TO HELP...
ZZZOT
...SHE AND THE ELEMENTS DISAPPEAR!
WHERE DID SHE GO?!

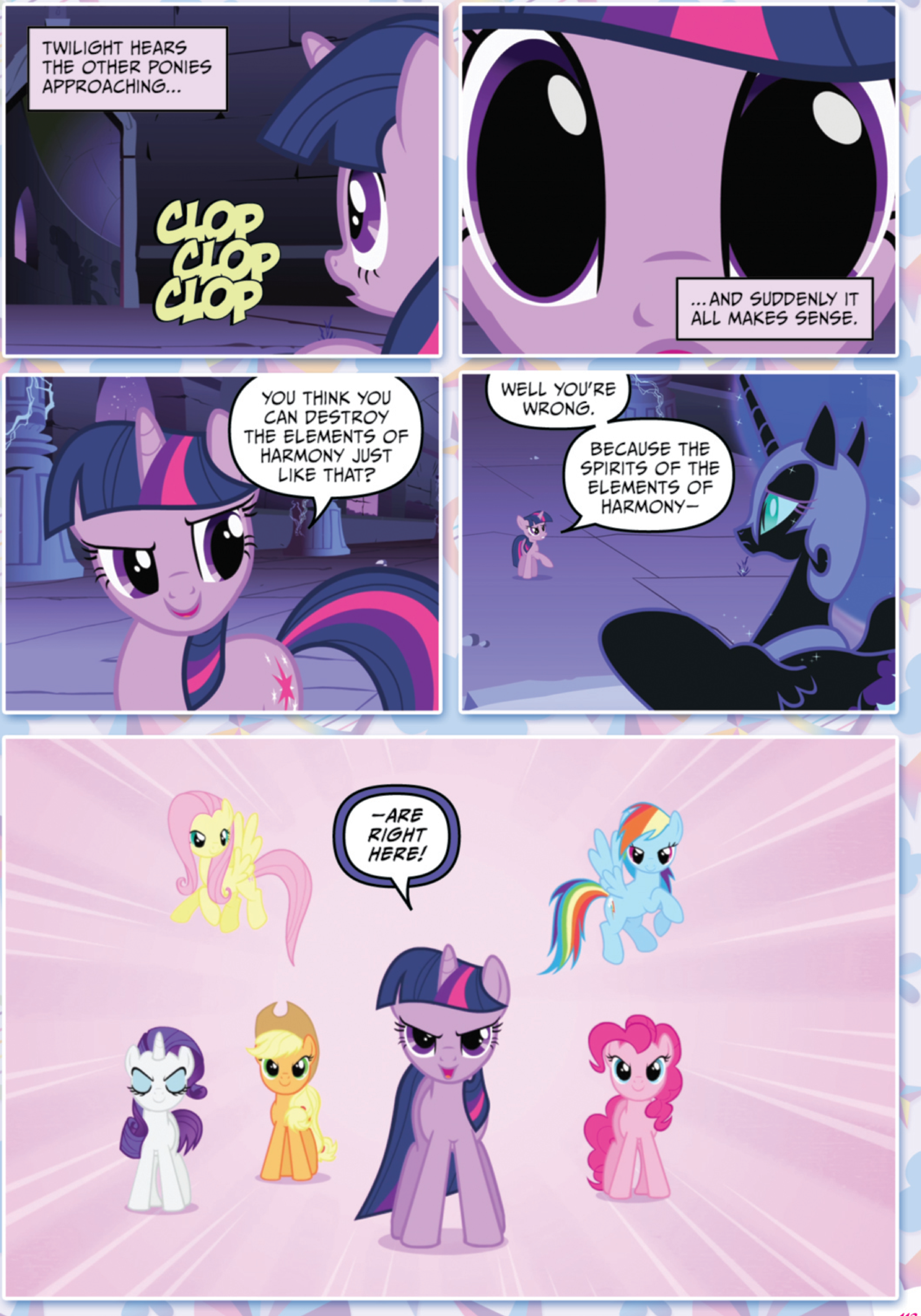

TWILIGHT! WHERE ARE YOU?
LOOK!
COME ON!
CLOPCLOPCLOP
VMMMMM
POOF
‹COUGH› ‹COUGH›

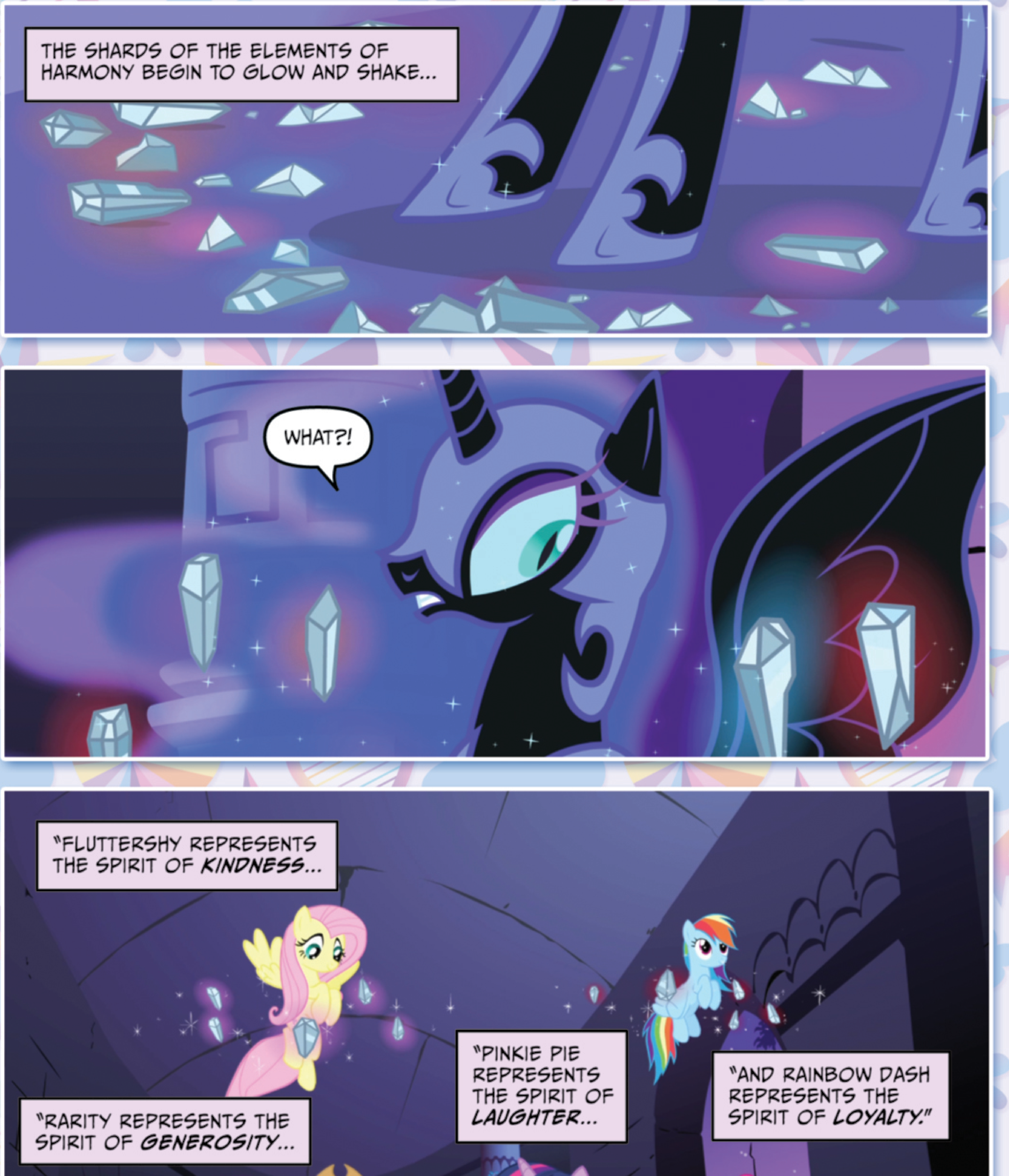

‹GASP!›
HA HA HA HA HA HA!!!
HMPF!
CLOP
YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?
CLOP CLOP CLOP
TWILIGHT CHARGES!
NIGHTMARE MOON MEETS THE CHALLENGE!
CLOP CLOP CLOP

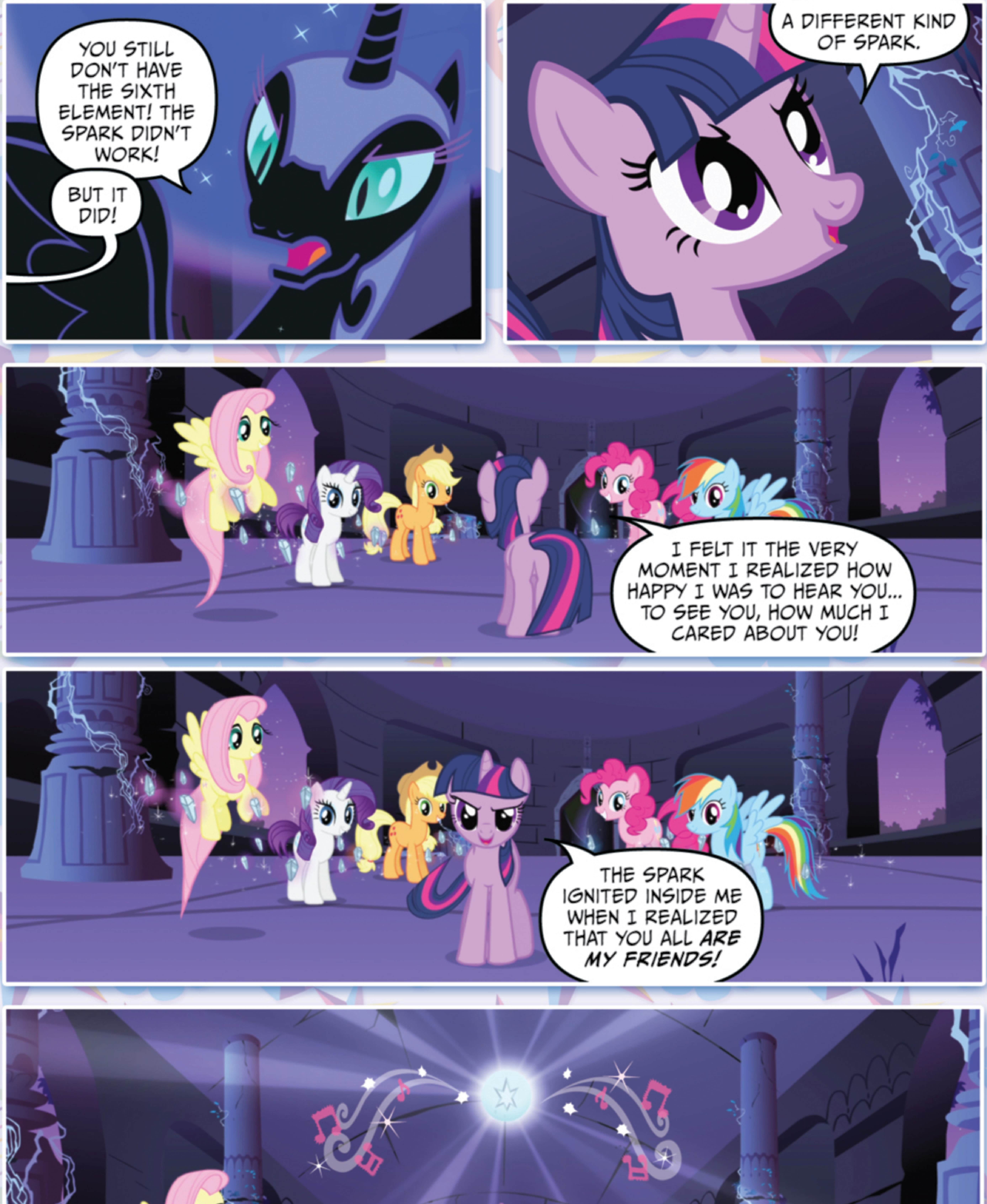

JUST BEFORE IMPACT...
ZZZOT
...TWILIGHT TRICKS NIGHTMARE MOON...
...AND GETS TO THE ELEMENTS!
OWWWW.
JUST ONE SPARK...

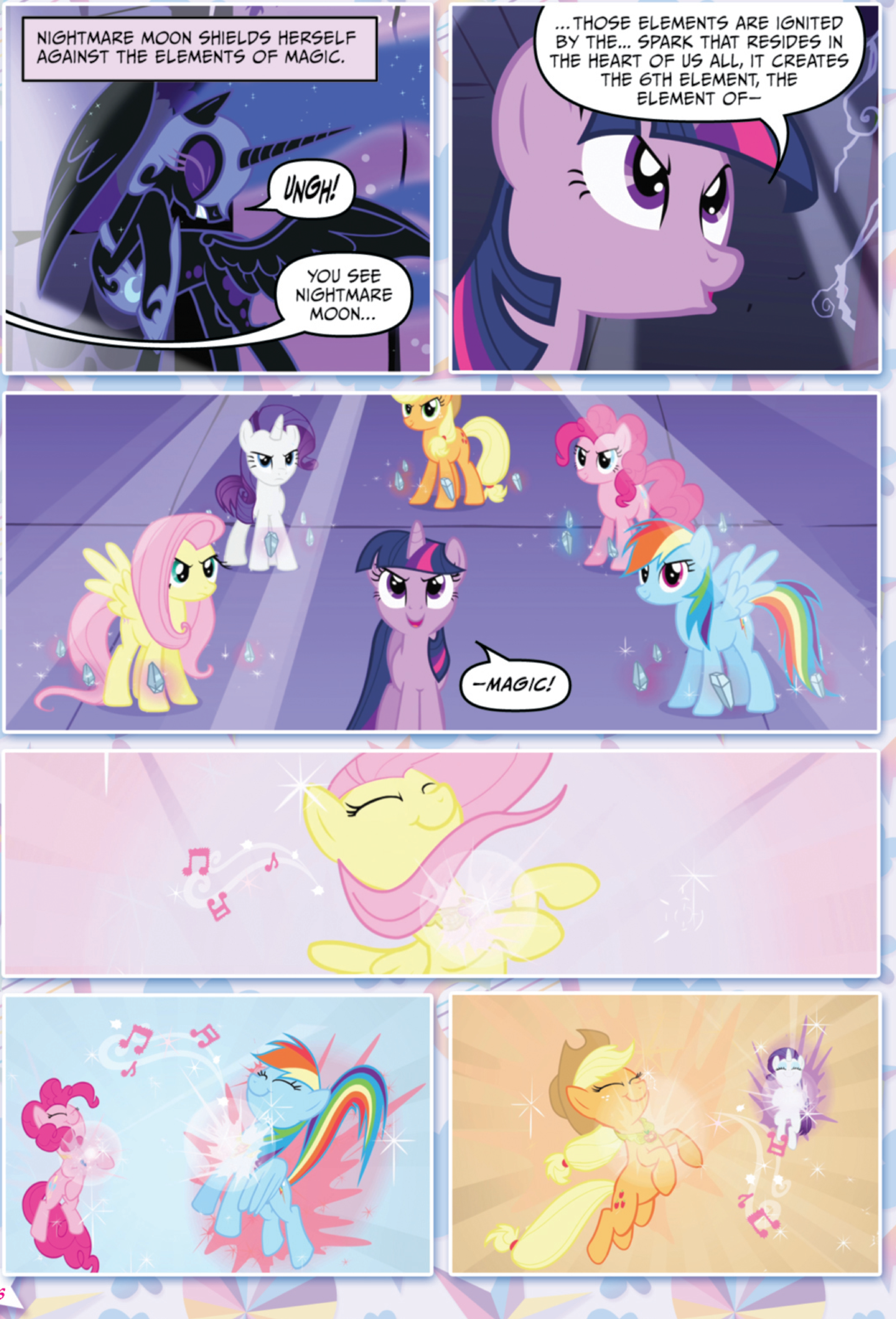

COME ON... COME ON...
ZZZRRRRRZZZZKRRRR
NO!
NO!
ZZZRRRRRZZZZKRRRR
HA! HA! HA!
‹GASP!›
WHERE'S THE SIXTH ELEMENT?!

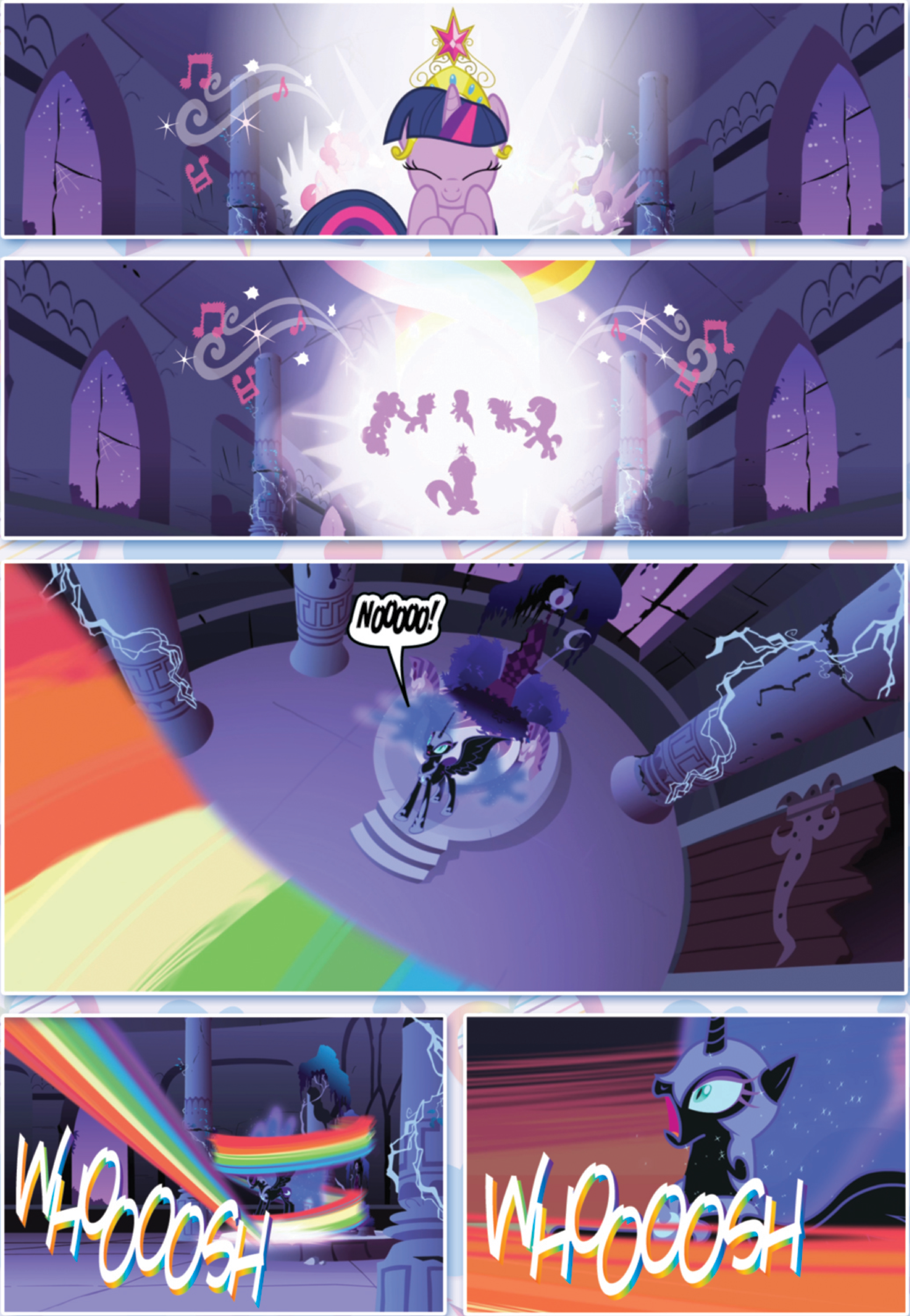

HA! HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA!
SLAM
CRASH
HA! HA! HA!
YOU LITTLE *FOAL!!* THINKING YOU COULD DEFEAT ME.
CRASH CRASH
NOW YOU WILL NEVER SEE YOUR PRINCESS OR YOUR SUN!
THE NIGHT WILL LAST *FOREVER!*
HA! HA! HA!

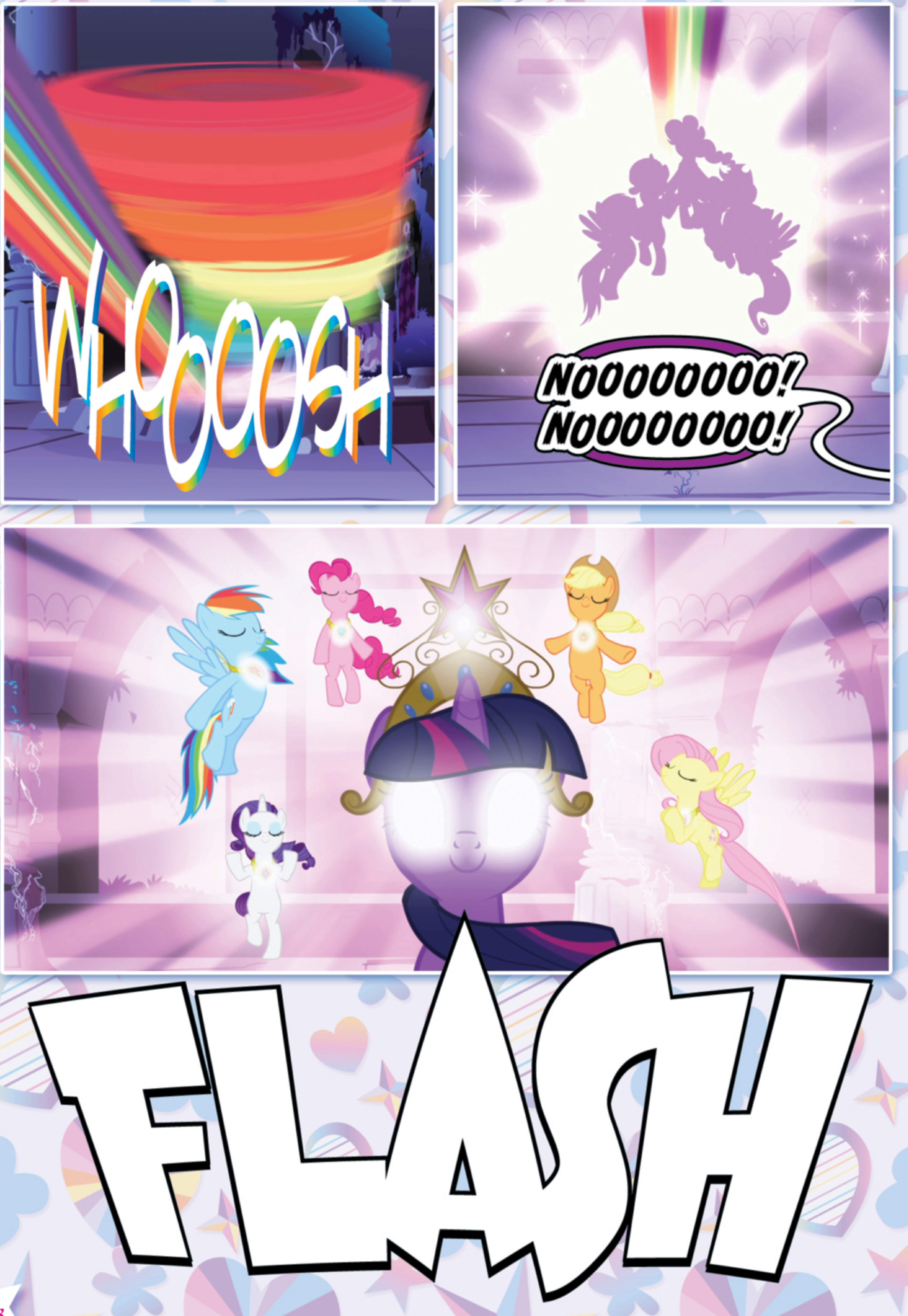

TWILIGHT HEARS THE OTHER PONIES APPROACHING...
CLOP CLOP CLOP
...AND SUDDENLY IT ALL MAKES SENSE.
YOU THINK YOU CAN DESTROY THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY JUST LIKE THAT?
WELL YOU'RE WRONG.
BECAUSE THE SPIRITS OF THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY—
—ARE RIGHT HERE!

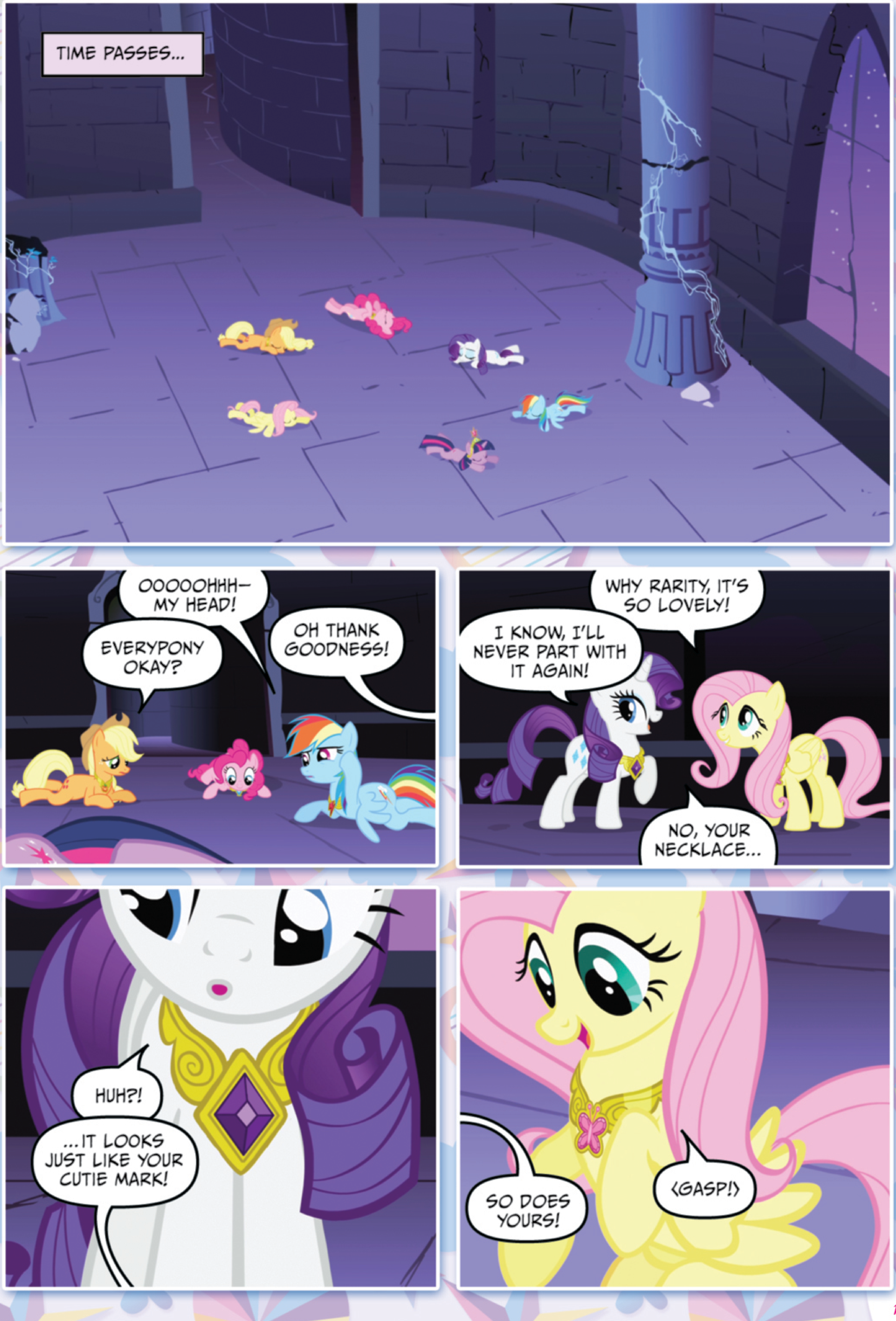

THE SHARDS OF THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY BEGIN TO GLOW AND SHAKE...
WHAT?!
"FLUTTERSHY REPRESENTS THE SPIRIT OF *KINDNESS*...
"RARITY REPRESENTS THE SPIRIT OF *GENEROSITY*...
"APPLEJACK REPRESENTS THE SPIRIT OF *HONESTY*...
"PINKIE PIE REPRESENTS THE SPIRIT OF *LAUGHTER*...
"AND RAINBOW DASH REPRESENTS THE SPIRIT OF *LOYALTY*."
THE SPIRITS OF THESE FIVE PONIES GOT US THROUGH EVERY CHALLENGE YOU THREW AT *US!*

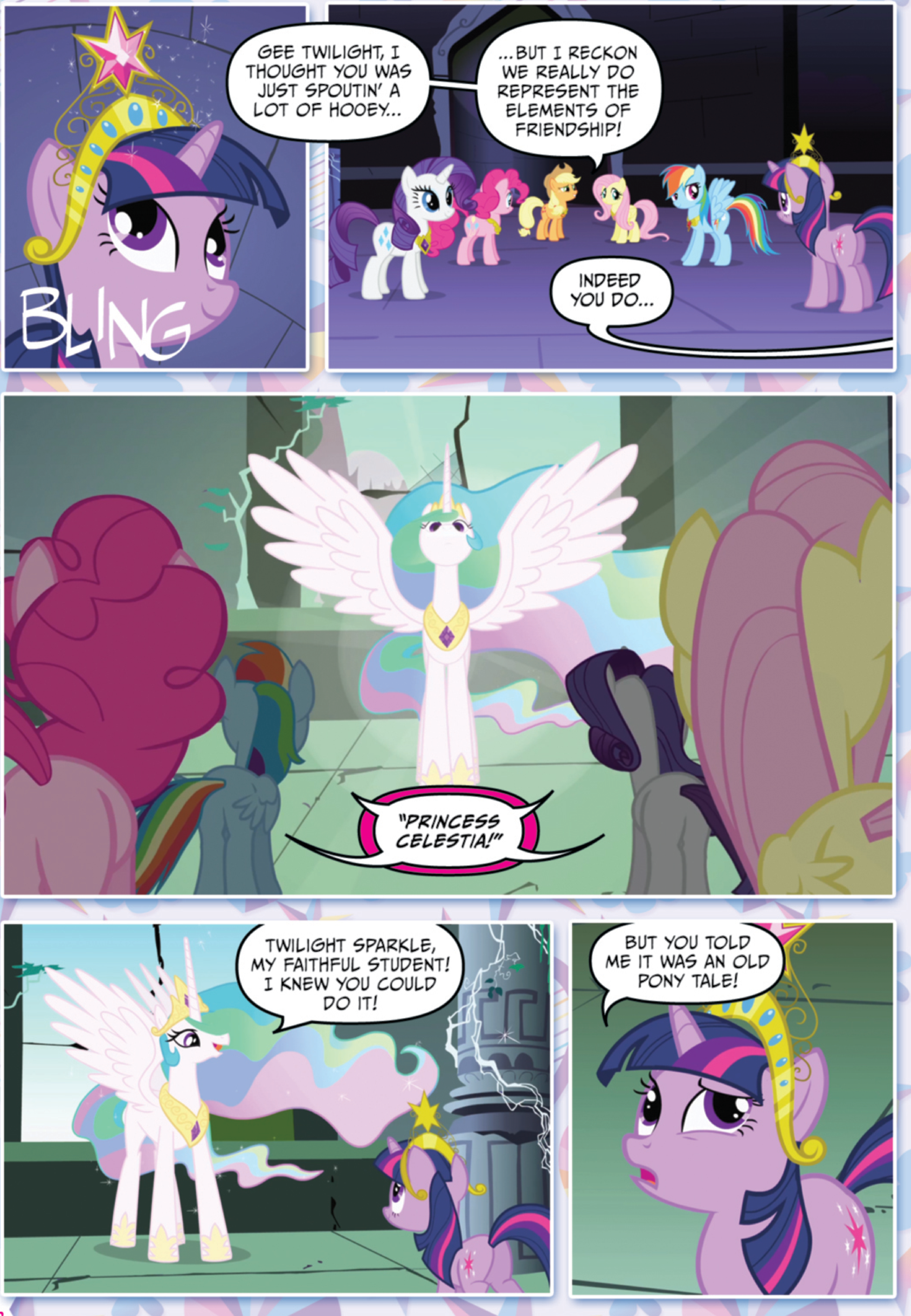

YOU STILL DON'T HAVE THE SIXTH ELEMENT! THE SPARK DIDN'T WORK!
BUT IT DID!
A DIFFERENT KIND OF SPARK.
I FELT IT THE VERY MOMENT I REALIZED HOW HAPPY I WAS TO HEAR YOU... TO SEE YOU, HOW MUCH I CARED ABOUT YOU!
THE SPARK IGNITED INSIDE ME WHEN I REALIZED THAT YOU ALL ***ARE MY FRIENDS!***

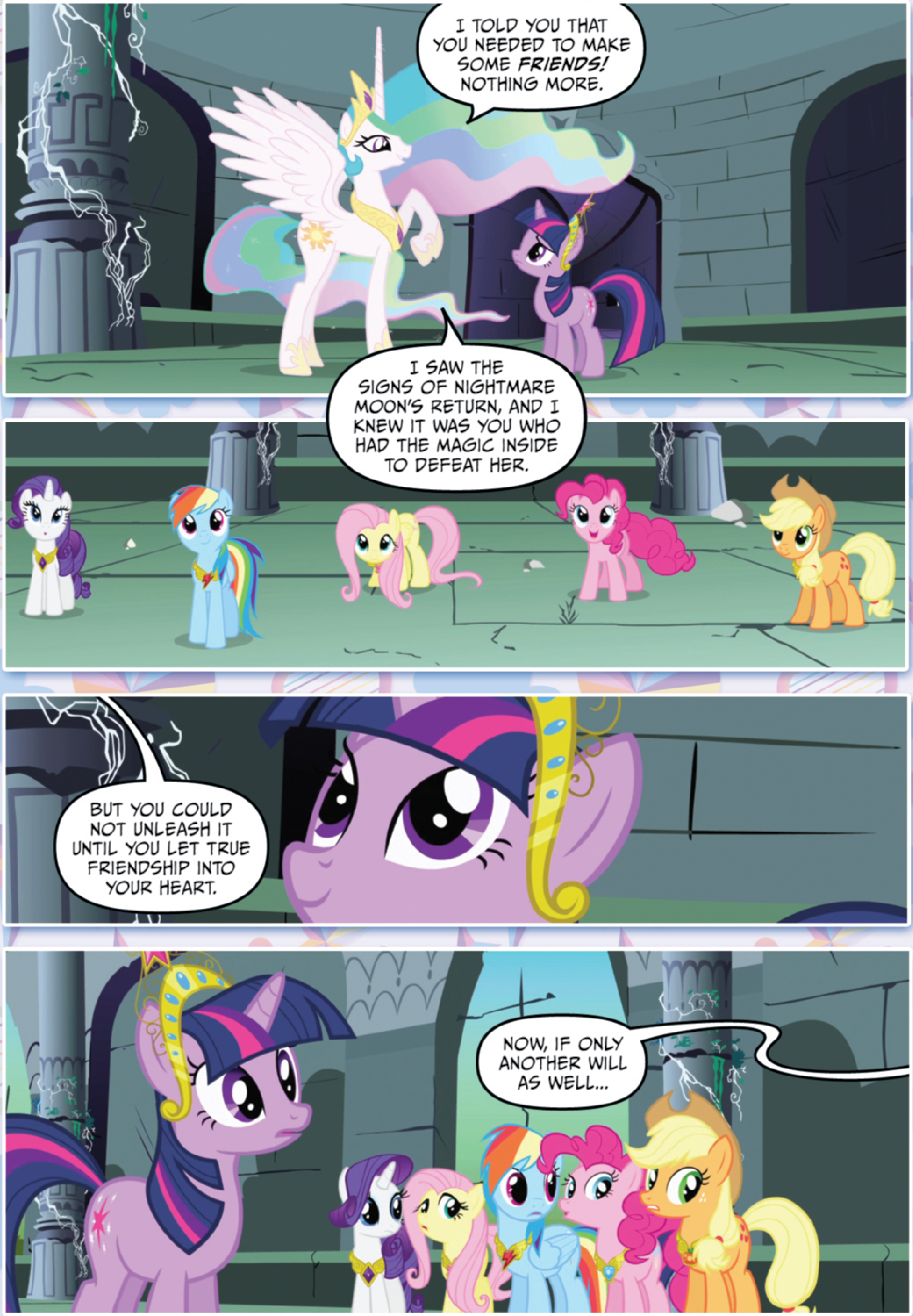

NIGHTMARE MOON SHIELDS HERSELF AGAINST THE ELEMENTS OF MAGIC.
UNGH!
YOU SEE NIGHTMARE MOON...
...THOSE ELEMENTS ARE IGNITED BY THE... SPARK THAT RESIDES IN THE HEART OF US ALL, IT CREATES THE 6TH ELEMENT, THE ELEMENT OF–
–MAGIC!

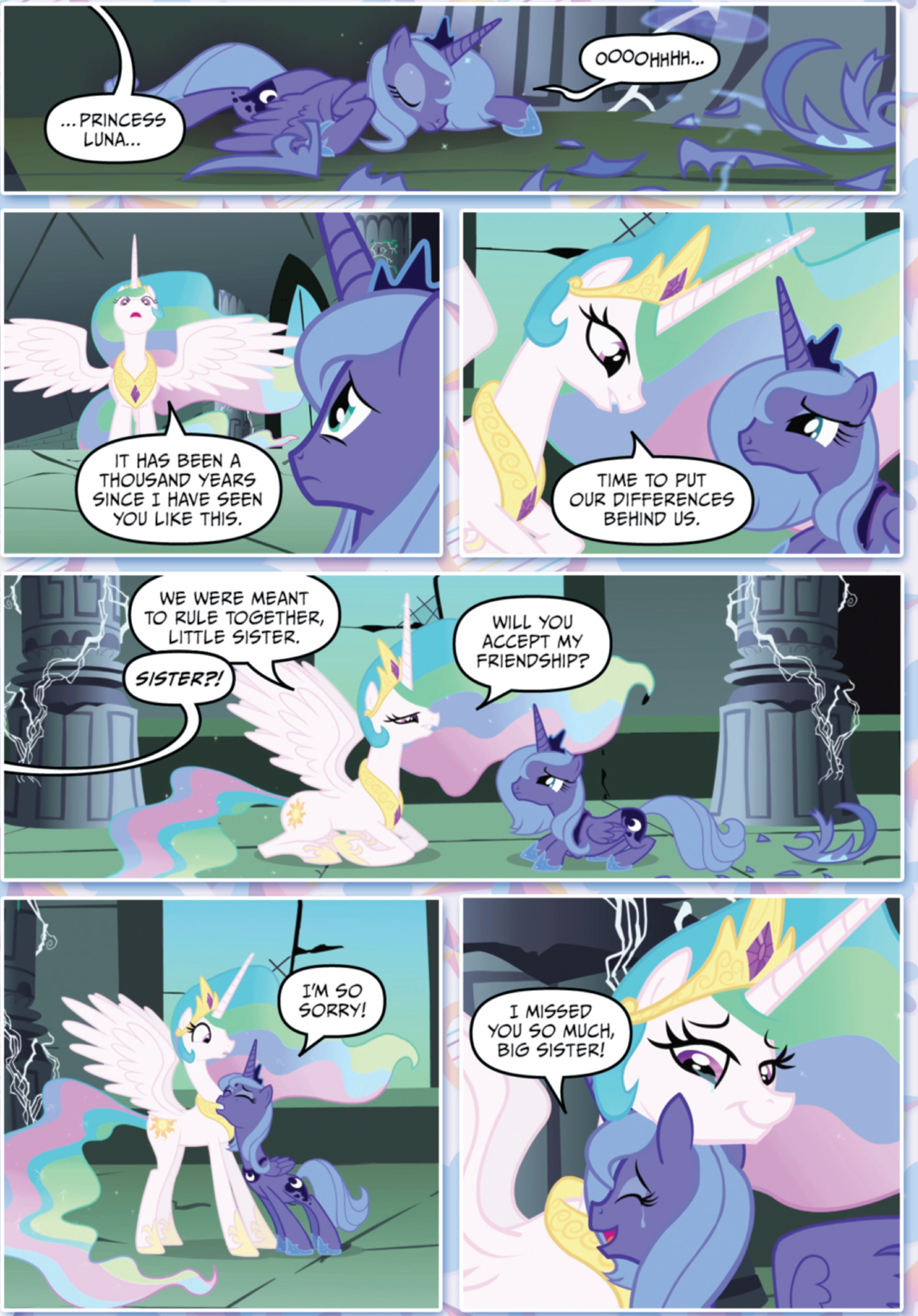

NOOOOO!
WHOOOOSH
WHOOOOSH

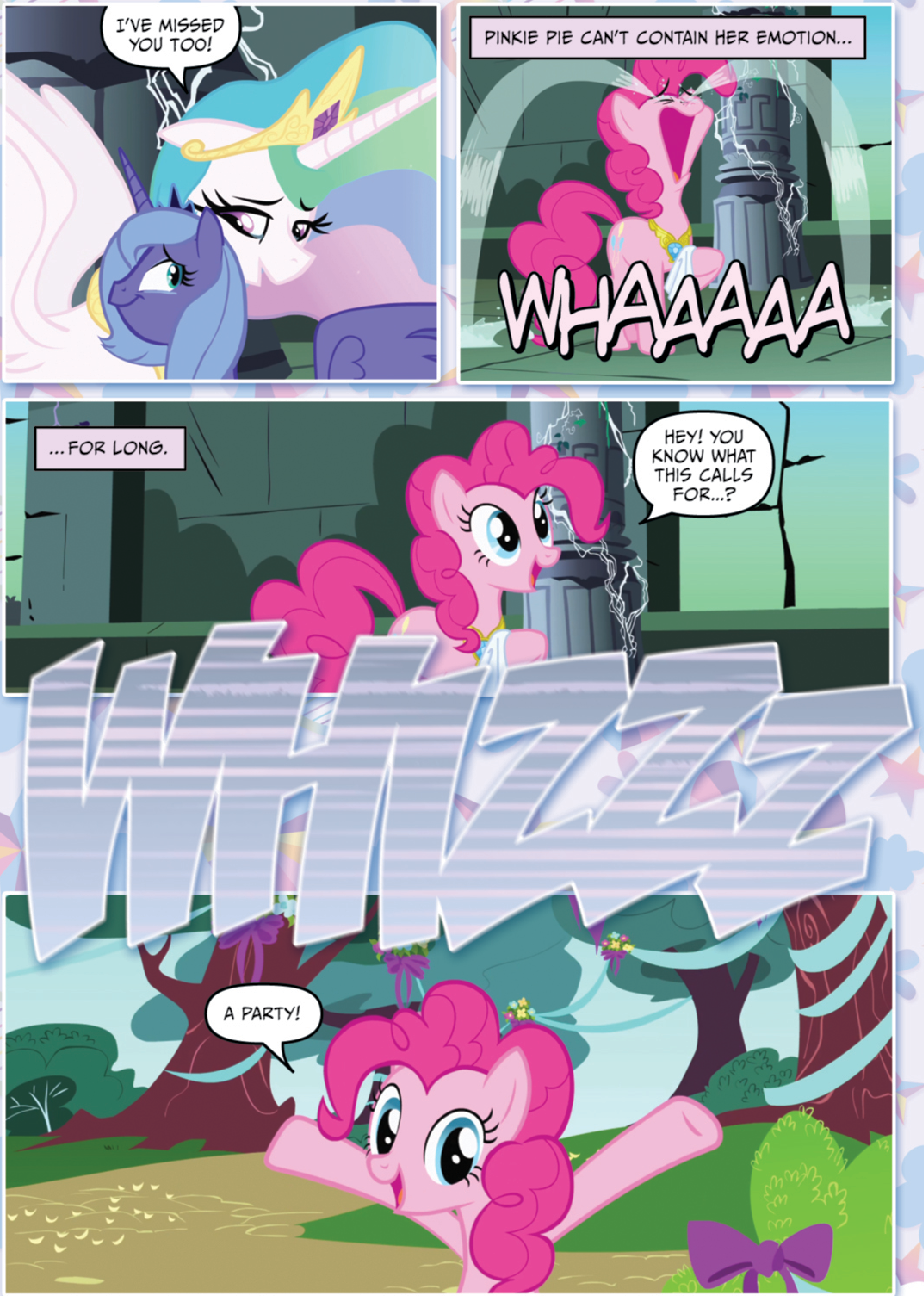

WHOOOOSH
NOOOOOOOO! NOOOOOOOO!
FLASH

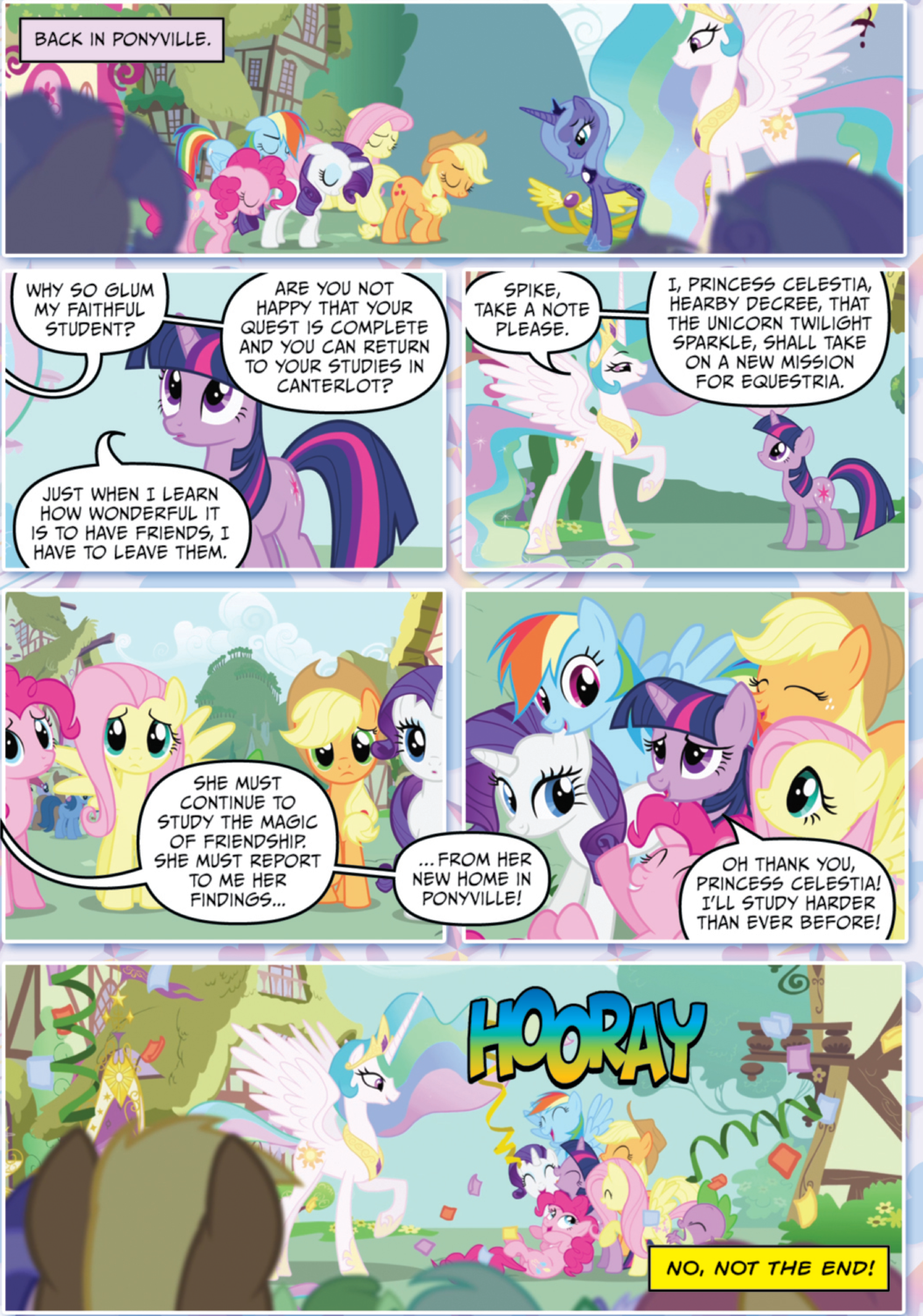

TIME PASSES...
OOOOOHHH— MY HEAD!
EVERYPONY OKAY?
OH THANK GOODNESS!
WHY RARITY, IT'S SO LOVELY!
I KNOW, I'LL NEVER PART WITH IT AGAIN!
NO, YOUR NECKLACE...
HUH?!
...IT LOOKS JUST LIKE YOUR CUTIE MARK!
SO DOES YOURS!
‹GASP!›


BLING
GEE TWILIGHT, I THOUGHT YOU WAS JUST SPOUTIN' A LOT OF HOOEY...
...BUT I RECKON WE REALLY DO REPRESENT THE ELEMENTS OF FRIENDSHIP!
INDEED YOU DO...
"PRINCESS CELESTIA!"
TWILIGHT SPARKLE, MY FAITHFUL STUDENT! I KNEW YOU COULD DO IT!
BUT YOU TOLD ME IT WAS AN OLD PONY TALE!


I TOLD YOU THAT YOU NEEDED TO MAKE SOME *FRIENDS!* NOTHING MORE.
I SAW THE SIGNS OF NIGHTMARE MOON'S RETURN, AND I KNEW IT WAS YOU WHO HAD THE MAGIC INSIDE TO DEFEAT HER.
BUT YOU COULD NOT UNLEASH IT UNTIL YOU LET TRUE FRIENDSHIP INTO YOUR HEART.
NOW, IF ONLY ANOTHER WILL AS WELL...


...PRINCESS LUNA...
OOOOHHHH...
IT HAS BEEN A THOUSAND YEARS SINCE I HAVE SEEN YOU LIKE THIS.
TIME TO PUT OUR DIFFERENCES BEHIND US.
WE WERE MEANT TO RULE TOGETHER, LITTLE SISTER.
SISTER?!
WILL YOU ACCEPT MY FRIENDSHIP?
I'M SO SORRY!
I MISSED YOU SO MUCH, BIG SISTER!


I'VE MISSED YOU TOO!
PINKIE PIE CAN'T CONTAIN HER EMOTION...
WHAAAAA
...FOR LONG.
HEY! YOU KNOW WHAT THIS CALLS FOR...?
WHIZZZ
A PARTY!


BACK IN PONYVILLE.
WHY SO GLUM MY FAITHFUL STUDENT?
ARE YOU NOT HAPPY THAT YOUR QUEST IS COMPLETE AND YOU CAN RETURN TO YOUR STUDIES IN CANTERLOT?
JUST WHEN I LEARN HOW WONDERFUL IT IS TO HAVE FRIENDS, I HAVE TO LEAVE THEM.
SPIKE, TAKE A NOTE PLEASE.
I, PRINCESS CELESTIA, HEARBY DECREE, THAT THE UNICORN TWILIGHT SPARKLE, SHALL TAKE ON A NEW MISSION FOR EQUESTRIA.
SHE MUST CONTINUE TO STUDY THE MAGIC OF FRIENDSHIP. SHE MUST REPORT TO ME HER FINDINGS...
...FROM HER NEW HOME IN PONYVILLE!
OH THANK YOU, PRINCESS CELESTIA! I'LL STUDY HARDER THAN EVER BEFORE!
HOORAY
NO, NOT THE END!

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